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[No. 1]

Thursday, 20th November, 1980.

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 half-past Two o'clock.

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

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except 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.

Outlawries.—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 Charles Addison Somerville Snowden Gordon, 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; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix).

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 20th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15-il.

Queen's Speech,—Mr. Speaker reported Her Majesty's Speech, and directed that it be entered in the Journal, as follows:

MY LORDS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

I take great pleasure in the current State Visit of His Majesty the King of Nepal, and look forward to visiting later this month Belgium, the Commission of the European Communities, and the headquarters of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

I look forward with equal pleasure to visiting Norway, Australia, New Zealand and Sri Lanka, and to being present in Melbourne on the occasion of the next meeting of the Commonwealth Heads of Government.

My Government believe that the best hope of lasting peace lies in the effective maintenance of Western security. They therefore attach great importance to defence and to contributing fully to the North Atlantic Alliance. They will continue to press for the complete withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan and for a political settlement acceptable to the Afghan people. Despite events in Afghanistan and Cambodia, they will continue to seek more stable East-West relations and will continue to work for effective measures of arms control.

My Government support the efforts of the European Community to work towards a just, lasting and comprehensive settlement of the Arab/Israeli dispute. They view with grave concern the present conflict between Iran and Iraq and will continue to work with other Governments for an end to hostilities. They will continue also to support the United States Government in their efforts to find an early and peaceful solution to the prolonged illegal detention of the United States' diplomatic hostages in Iran.

Negotiations to find an internationally recognised settlement in Namibia in accordance with the United Nations' plan will continue.

My Government reaffirm their strong commitment to the European Community. They look forward to the accession of Greece on 1st January 1981 and to the prospect of further enlargement. They will play a full part in discussions to improve the common agricultural policy and restructure the Community Budget. They will continue to work for agreement on a revised common fisheries policy. Legislation will be introduced to amend the law about the Boundary Commissions' reviews of the European Parliament constituencies.

My Government confirm their commitment to the Commonwealth and the United Nations, and will continue to play a constructive role in their activities.

My Government recognise the serious economic problems that affect both developed and developing countries and will continue to work with other countries and international organisations in seeking to alleviate them.

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

The need to bring down the rate of inflation and create conditions for a sustainable growth of output and employment remains the prime concern of my Government. To that end they will take all steps necessary to maintain firm monetary and fiscal policies.
Plans for public expenditure will take account of the need to restrict the claims of the public sector on the nation's resources. Special attention will continue to be given to the encouragement of new businesses and to measures to permit small firms to expand and prosper.

My Government, recognising the hardships and worries of those suffering unemployment, will proceed urgently with an expanded programme of employment and training measures for the unemployed, particularly the young. Proposals will be put before you for improving industrial training in the longer term and for supplying those skills which will be needed when industry moves out of the current recession.

Further proposals will be brought forward to reduce the scope of rationalised and state industry, and to increase competition. My Government will take steps to permit wider participation in the fortunes of the British National Oil Corporation. Measures will also be laid before you to replace public involvement in transport industries with further opportunities for private investment; and to reorganise the Post Office, to encourage better performance in postal services and to introduce greater competition in telecommunications.

Legislation will also be introduced to amend the financial arrangements for the National Enterprise Board, the Scottish and Welsh Development Agencies, and the Development Board for Rural Wales; and to provide for a capital reconstruction of the British Steel Corporation.

Measures will be brought forward on company law and insurance.

My Government will continue to ensure that the nation's energy resources are appropriately developed and efficiently used. Legislation will be introduced to assist the conservation of energy and to impose a levy on the British Gas Corporation for specified gas purchases.

In Northern Ireland my Government will continue in their efforts to protect all members of the community against violence and terrorism, to foster its economic recovery, and to create arrangements for the government of Northern Ireland that will better meet the needs of all its people.

My Government are firmly committed to the maintenance of law and order in all parts of the United Kingdom. They will introduce legislation to improve the criminal law including repeal of the suspected person offence and will develop plans for giving effect to the proposals in the recent White Paper on young offenders.

A Bill will be introduced to change the law on nationality on the lines of the White Paper published last July.

Legislation will be brought forward to facilitate the education of children with special needs.

Measures to improve the law in Scotland relating to education and to local government and to protect wives' home rights will be laid before you.

My Government will propose measures to improve road safety.

Pensions, war pensions and other social security benefits will be increased on 24th November and reviewed again next year. Legislation will be brought forward to place a duty on employers to provide sick pay for their employees during the early weeks of sickness.

Legislation will also be laid before you to promote the conservation of wild life and the countryside.

A Bill will be introduced to reform the law of contempt of court.

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.
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

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:

14th November 1980


Trade Unions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th November 1980, entitled the Certification Officer (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1708) [by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated 14th November 1980, entitled—
   (1) the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1733), and
   (2) the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1734) [by Act].

17th November 1980

Public Health,—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th October 1980, entitled the Control of Pollution (Special Waste) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1709) [by Act].

19th November 1980


Offshore Installations,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th November 1980, entitled the Offshore Installations (Well Control) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1759) [by Act].

Copyright,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 11th November 1980, entitled the Copyright (International Conventions) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1723) [by Act].


Medical Profession,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 11th November 1980, entitled the Medical, Nursing and Dental Qualifications (EEC Recognition) (Greek Qualifications) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1721) [by Act].


Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Thursday 20th November 1980:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Sir Ian Gilmour:

Customs (Miscellaneous No. 25, 1980).—Copy of a Protocol, signed at New York on 1st March 1977, to the Agreement on the importation of educational, scientific and cultural materials (the Protocol has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8100].

Treaty Series (No. 94, 1980).—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Manila on 23rd September 1980, on a loan by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (United Kingdom/Philippines Loan No. 2, 1980) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8096].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Provisional Orders (Scotland).—Copies of Reports by the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under section 1(4) of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, on representations by—
   (1) the British Railways Board,
(2) the British Railways Board,
(3) the British Transport Docks Board,
(4) Charterhouse Japhet Limited, and
(5) Lloyds Bank Limited and Lewis's Bank Limited

[by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on—
(1) ball, roller, plain and other bearings,
(2) bedding, etc.,
(3) dresses, lingerie, infants' wear, etc.,
(4) electronic computers,
(5) equipment for motor vehicles, cycles and aircraft,
(6) glass,
(7) hosiery and other knitted goods,
(8) leather (tanning and dressing) and fellmongery,
(9) mechanical handling equipment,
(10) scales and weighing machinery and portable power tools,
(11) spirit distilling and compounding,
(12) surgical instruments and appliances, and
(13) synthetic resins and plastics materials and synthetic rubber

[by Act].

Local Employment.—Statement of determination of the salaries of the chairman and members of the English Industrial Estates Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Legal Aid and Advice.—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 28th October 1980, entitled the Legal Advice and Assistance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1980, No. 390), and
[by Statutory Instrument].

Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Cambridge on 29th May 1980 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


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 M25 Motorway (River Lee Navigation to A121 Section) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. CE 5) 1980,
(2) the Milford Haven Conservancy Revision Order 1980,
(3) the Borough of Havant (Waterlooville Recreation Ground) Appropriation Order 1979,
(4) the Surrey County Council Town and Country Planning (No. 2) Redhill Comprehensive Development Area Compulsory Purchase Order 1978, and
(5) the Borough of Havant (Cowplain Recreation Ground) Appropriation Order 1979
[by Act].

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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the Petition [6th August 1980 in the last Session of Parliament] from fishermen of Hampshire and Sussex praying against the transfer of functions from the Sea Fisheries Committees of England and Wales [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Paper withdrawn and Order to lie upon the Table discharged:

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Speaker appointed the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office to print the Votes and Proceedings of this House.

[No. 2.]

Friday, 21st November, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Industry Bill.—Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, supported by Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Secretary Atkins, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Michael Marshall, and Mr. David Mitchell, presented (under Standing Order No. 91 (Procedure upon Bills whose main object is to create a charge upon the public revenue)) a Bill to increase financial limits which apply in connection with the National Enterprise Board, the Scottish Development Agency, the Welsh Development Agency and the Development Board for Rural Wales; to reduce the public dividend capital of the national Enterprise Board and of the two Agencies and the amount outstanding by way of loans made by the Secretary of State to the two Agencies; to provide for extending the period in relation to which schemes under the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments) Act 1978 operate; and to provide for financial support in connection with certain matters affecting industry: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed [Bill 21].

British Telecommunications Bill.—Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Heseltine, Mr. Secretary Jenkin, Mr. Secretary Nott, Mr. Nigel Lawson, and Mr. Adam Butler, presented a Bill to establish a public corporation to be called British Telecommunications; to make provision with respect to its functions and to transfer to it certain property, rights and liabilities of the Post Office; to make further provision with respect to the Post Office; to provide for dealings by the Treasury in the shares of Cable and Wireless Limited; to extend the application of the Telegraph Acts; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed [Bill 1].

European Assembly Elections Bill.—Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, supported by Sir Ian Gilmour, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, and Mr. Leon Brittan, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of Schedule 2 to the European Assembly Elections Act 1978 with respect to the supplementary reports affecting Assembly constituencies to be submitted by the Boundary Commission for any part of Great Britain following reviews of parliamentary constituencies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed [Bill 3].

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 "twelve" shall be substituted for the word "ten" in line 5; and in paragraph (5) the word "eight" shall be substituted for the word "ten" in line 30;

(2) Private Members' Bills shall have precedence over Government business on 30th January, 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th February, 6th March, 1st, 8th and 15th May, 12th and 19th June and 10th July;

(3) Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business on 12th December, 16th and 23rd January, 13th, 20th and 27th March, and 3rd and 10th April, and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on Wednesday 26th November, Wednesday 10th December, Wednesday 17th December, Wednesday 25th February, Wednesday 4th March, Wednesday 11th March, Wednesday 18th March and Wednesday 25th March;

(4) On Monday 15th December, Monday 16th February, Monday 18th May and Monday 6th July, Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence until Seven o'clock and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on Thursday 27th November, Thursday 29th January, Thursday 30th April and Thursday 18th 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. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

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 adjourned Debate.

And it being Eleven o'clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5 (Friday sittings).

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Question being again 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:—Debate arising;

And it being half past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

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

And the Question having been proposed at half-past Two 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 Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 21st November 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Building Societies,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Housing (Scotland),—Draft of an Order, entitled the Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Companies,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th November 1980, entitled the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1749) [by Act].

Weights and Measures,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th November 1980, entitled the Units of Measurement (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1742) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—Statement of determination of the financial duties of British Shipbuilders in the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Act].

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on—

(1) compressors and fluid power equipment,
(2) fruit and vegetable products,
(3) inorganic chemicals,
(4) jewellery and precious metals,
(5) miscellaneous building materials and mineral products,
(6) plastics products,
(7) overalls and men's shirts, underwear, etc., and
(8) textile finishing
[by Act].

Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes made by—

(1) the Governing Body of Selwyn College, Cambridge, on 30th May 1980 amending the Statutes of the College, and
(2) the University of Oxford on 20th June 1980 amending the Statutes of the University
[by Act].

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

PRAYERS.

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

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs 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 an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 23].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 23].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 20-1].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address).—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th November, 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 adjourned Debate.

And it being Ten 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. Tony Newton):—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

Monday 24th November 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:

Customs and Excise.—Copy of the Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs and Excise for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command] [Cmdnd. 8099].

Income Tax.—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—

(1) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980,
(2) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980,
(3) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980, and
(4) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980 [by Act].

Taxes.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980 [by Act].
Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriations in Aid.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 24th November 1980, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Vote for Shipping and Civil Aviation Services [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

British Council.—Statement of indemnities for loss of objects borrowed by the British Council [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980 [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Census.—Copy of a Census Atlas, entitled People in Britain [by Act].

Health Service Commissioner.—Copy of the First Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 1].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on—
- (1) bread and flour confectionery,
- (2) brewing and malting,
- (3) fur,
- (4) iron and steel (general),
- (5) miscellaneous metal manufacture,
- (6) scientific and industrial instruments and systems,
- (7) shipbuilding and marine engineering,
- (8) steel tubes, and
- (9) women's and girls' tailored outerwear [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Housing.—Copies of Orders, dated—
- (1) 12th November 1980, entitled the Grants by Local Authorities (Eligible Expense Limits) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1736), and
- (2) 13th November 1980, entitled the Grants by Local Authorities (Repairs) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1737) [by Act].

Transport.—Statement of determination of the salaries of the Chairman, Vice Chairman and members of the British Waterways Board [by Act].

Tuesday, 25th November, 1980.

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).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 25th November and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with a Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-i].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No.18-ii].
Foreign Affairs,—Mr. Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 25th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 26-i].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Donald Dewar reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 19-i].

Transport,—Sir David Price reported from the Transport 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them between 25th June and 5th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 27].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 27].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to re-enact with amendments and to extend certain local enactments in force within the metropolitan county of Greater Manchester; to confer further powers on the Greater Manchester County Council, the Borough Council of Bolton, the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury, the Council of the City of Manchester, the Oldham Borough Council, the Rochdale Borough Council, the Council of the City of Salford, the Metropolitan Borough Council of Stockport, the Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council, the Trafford Borough Council and the Wigan Borough Council; to make further provision with regard to the environment, local government and improvement of the county; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Greater Manchester Bill [Lords]].

Private Bills (Suspension of Private Bills).—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office that, in respect of the following Bill brought from the House of Lords, and upon which the proceedings were suspended in this House, the Agent for the Bill has deposited in the Private Bill Office a declaration, signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the House of Lords in the last Session, viz.:

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].

Private Bills [Lords].—The Standing Order of 4th August 1980, relating to Private Bills (Suspension), being read;

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords],—The Greater Manchester Bill [Lords] was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Social Security (Contributions) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Jenkin, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Reg Prentice, and Mrs. Lynda Chalker, presented a Bill to make provision in connection with certain contributions payable under the Social Security Act 1975: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 4].

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. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address).,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th November, 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 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. John Wakeham.)

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

[Adjourned at 10.27 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 25th November 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Health and Safety,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th November 1980, entitled the Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1744) [by Act].

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Copies of Orders, dated 17th November 1980, entitled—

(1) the Employment Code of Practice (Closed Shop Agreements and Arrangements) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1758), and

(2) the Employment Code of Practice (Picketing) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1757) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Social Security (Contributions),—Copy of a Report by the Government Actuary on the financial provisions of the Social Security (Contributions) Bill 1980 [by Command] [Cmd. 8091].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Trade,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty of 13th May 1980 in the last Session of Parliament for a Return of Statistics relating to overseas trade for 1979.

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on—

(1) leather goods,

(2) miscellaneous (non-electrical) machinery,

(3) precision chains and other mechanical engineering, and

(4) sugar

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Gas,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st November 1980, entitled the Gas (Superannuation Scheme) (Winding Up) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1782) [by Act].

Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas:

Opticians,—Copy of the Accounts of the General Optical Council for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Lincoln College, Oxford, on 23rd June 1980 amending the Statutes of the College [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Cereals Authority,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Home-Grown Cereals Authority for the year ended 31st July 1980 [by Act].

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

Co-operative Development Agency,—Copy of the Account of the Co-operative Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 24].
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 25th November 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 5.]

Wednesday, 26th November, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

European Legislation, &c,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c, 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. 32-i].

Minutes of Proceedings to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-i].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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. 33].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 34-i].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 20-i].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Selection (Standing Committees)—Mr. Philip Holland 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.

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-i].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed 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. 35].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 26th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 30-i].
Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-i].

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address).—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th November, 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 adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words “but humbly regret that the already shameful levels of unemployment will be raised even further as a result of the measures announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on 24th November.”—(Mr. Eric G. Varley.)

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

Mr. John Wakeham 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 Amendment be made:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Hamilton: 256.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Morrison: 314.

So the Question was negatived.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Common Fisheries Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 9336/80, 9336/80 corrigendum 1, 10688/80 on total allowable catches, 10090/80, 10687/80, 10722/80 on 1980 quota allocations, 9917/80 and COM(80)724 on organisation of the market in fishery products, but regards as inadequate the quota allocations to the United Kingdom illustrated in these documents; reaffirms support for the Government's objective of a satisfactory settlement of the revised Common Fisheries Policy; and maintains the need to secure an overall share of fish for United Kingdom fishermen which reflects United Kingdom losses incurred in third country waters and the contribution made by United Kingdom waters to total European Community fish resources—(Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith);

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 this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 9336/80, 9336/80 corrigendum 1, 10688/80 on total allowable catches, 10090/80, 10687/80, 10722/80 on 1980 quota allocations, 9917/80 and COM(80)724 on organisation of the market in fishery products, but regards as inadequate the quota allocations to the United Kingdom illustrated in these documents; reaffirms support for the Government's objective of a satisfactory settlement of the revised Common Fisheries Policy; and maintains the need to secure an overall share of fish for United Kingdom fishermen which reflects United Kingdom losses incurred in third country waters and the contribution made by United Kingdom waters to total European Community fish resources.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Shropshire, against the proposals outlined in “Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy” 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. Peter Brooke);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning; Thursday, 27th November, 1980:

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.13 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 26th November 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
- Criminal Statistics,—Copy of Statistics relating to crime and criminal proceedings in England and Wales in 1979 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8098].
- Representation of the People,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th November 1980, entitled the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
- Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on—
  1. electrical appliances primarily for domestic use,
  2. electric lamps, electric light fittings, wiring accessories, etc.,
  3. petroleum and natural gas,
  4. radio, radar and electronic capital goods, and
  5. refrigerating machinery, space-heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
- Town and Country Planning,—Copy of an Order, dated 30th April 1980, entitled the Fylde Borough Council (St. Albans Road, St. Annes) (Appropriation) Order 1980 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 Atkins:
- Northern Ireland,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—
  1. the Appropriation (No. 3) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, and

Road Traffic and Vehicles,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th November 1980, entitled the Roads (Speed Limit) (No. 4) Order (Northern Ireland) 1980 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1980, No. 401) [by Act].

Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas:
- Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes made by—
  1. the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, on 11th July 1980 amending the Statutes of the College,
  2. the Governing Body of Exeter College, Oxford, on 14th July 1980 amending the Statutes of the College, and
  3. the University of Cambridge on 21st July 1980 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
- Sea Fisheries,—Copies of—
  1. an Order, dated 18th November 1980, entitled the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970 (Relaxation of Time Limits) Order 1980, and
  2. a Scheme, dated 19th November 1980, entitled the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Selection (Committee on Unopposed Bills) (Panel),—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had appointed Twenty-seven Members to be the Panel of Members to serve on the Committee on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order
Chairmen’s Panel (Parliament Act 1911),—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That, in pursuance of section 1(3) of the Parliament Act 1911, they had appointed Sir Albert Costain and Mr. Ifor Davies to be the Two Members whom Mr. Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before certifying a Bill to be a Money Bill.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had designated Standing Committee C as the Committee on which Government Bills shall not have precedence.

Provisional Orders (Scotland) (Panel),—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That in pursuance of Standing Order 228 relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), they had selected Twenty Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, viz.: Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. John Corrie, Mr. Jim Craigen, Mr. Dick Douglas, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. David Lamble, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. John MacKay, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Martin O’Neill, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Ian Sproat, Mr. Allan Stewart, Mr. James White, and Mr. Gordon Wilson.

Standing Orders Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Eight Members to serve on the Standing Orders Committee under Standing Order 103 relating to Private Business (Appointment of Standing Orders Committee), viz.: Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. John Farr, Mr. William Mc Kelvey, Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Nicholas Scott, and Mr. Nicholas Winterton.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980, viz.: Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, Dr. David Clark, Mr. Robert Hicks, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Paul Marland, Mr. Tony Marlow, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Raymond Powell, Mr. Colin Shepherd, Mr. Gavin Strang, Dr. Roger Thomas, Mr. Donald Thompson, and Mr. Tom Torney.

Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Three Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Housing in Wales, viz.: Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. John Cope, and Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones.

[No. 6.]

Thursday, 27th November, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

Private Bills,—The Standing Orders of 4th and 7th August 1980, relating to the Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill, the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, the London Transport (No. 2) Bill and the British Railways Bill, suspended in the last Session of Parliament, being read:

Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill,—A Bill to empower the Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company to construct works and to acquire lands; to extend and alter the limits of the dock; to confer further powers on the Company; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—A Bill to confer further powers upon the Greater London Council and other authorities; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time and ordered to lie upon the Table.
London Transport (No. 2) Bill.—A Bill to empower the London Transport Executive to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on the Executive; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time and ordered to be read the third time.

British Railways Bill.—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire lands; to empower Sealink U.K. Limited to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on the Board and on that company; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 27th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 384].

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th and 26th November.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 36-i and ii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

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

Statutory Instruments.—The Lords communicate that they have appointed a Committee of seven Lords to join with a Committee appointed by 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;

but excluding any Order in Council or draft Order in Council made or proposed to be made under paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974; and

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 decision 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; that the Joint Committee have leave to report from time to time; and that their Committee do meet on Tuesday 2nd December at a quarter-past Four o'clock.

Welsh Affairs,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Hooson to attend to be examined as a witness before the Committee on Welsh Affairs.—(Mr. Leo Abse.)

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Younger, supported by Mr. Malcolm Rijkind, Mr. Alexander Fletcher, and Mr. Nigel Lawson, presented a Bill to make further provision as regards local government in Scotland; to amend the Housing (Scotland) Acts 1966 to 1980; to postpone the effect of certain provisions of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980; 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 5].

Fisheries Bill,—Mr. Peter Walker, supported by Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Secretary Atkins, Mr. Secretary Nott, Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, and Mr. Jerry Wiggin, presented a Bill to establish a Sea Fish Industry Authority with the duty of promoting the efficiency of the sea fish industry in the United Kingdom; to provide financial assistance for that industry; to amend the law relating to the regulation of sea fishing; to make new provision in relation to fish farming; to amend the enactments relating to whales and the importation of live fish; and to repeal section 5(3) of the Fishery Board (Scotland) Act 1882: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 6].

Statutory Instruments, &c,—Ordered, That the draft Apple and Pear Development Council (Amendment) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address)—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th November, 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 adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words "but humbly regret that Her Majesty's Government is maintaining economic policies which are ruining great sections of British industry, have produced the greatest fall in output and employment since the Thirties and offer no prospect of improvement in the foreseeable future".—(Mr. Denis Healey.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Hamilton: 259.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 319.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

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.
Prisons.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Continuance) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 20th November, be approved—(Mr. Leon Brittan);

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).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Tony Newton, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 91.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Clive Soley: 25.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Continuance) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 20th November, be approved.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 28th November, 1980:

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-six minutes past Twelve o’clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.26 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 27th November 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copy of Treasury Minutes, dated 15th, 16th, 17th, 21st, 23rd and 24th October 1980, relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act]; to be printed [No. 37].

Electricity (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 10th November 1980 on loans raised by the South of Scotland Electricity Board [by Act].

Friendly Societies,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th November 1980, entitled the Friendly Societies (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1750) [by Act].

Industrial and Provident Societies,—Copies of Regulations, dated 12th November 1980, entitled—

(1) the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1751), and

(2) the Industrial and Provident Societies (Credit Unions) (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1752)

[by Act].

Savings Banks,—Draft of an Order, entitled the National Savings Bank (Investment Deposits) (Limits) (Amendment) Order 1981 [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 95, 1980),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Lomé on 18th June 1980, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Togo on certain commercial debts [by Command] [Cmnd. 8094].

Mr. Secretary Younger:


Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated 20th November 1980, entitled—

(1) the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1792),

(2) the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Assessment of Resources) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1793), and

(3) the Legal Aid (Scotland) (General) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1791)

[by Act].
Mr. Secretary Nott:
- Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 26th November 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1800) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
- Census of Production.—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on—
  1. abrasives,
  2. animal and poultry foods,
  3. gramophone records and tape recordings,
  4. iron castings, etc.,
  5. locomotives, railway track equipment, railway carriages, wagons and trams,
  6. milk and milk products,
  7. mineral oil refining,
  8. mining machinery,
  9. photographic and document copying equipment,
  10. pumps,
  11. telegraph and telephone apparatus and equipment, and
  12. valves
  [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
- Local Government.—Copies of Orders, dated 21st November 1980, entitled—
  1. the London Docklands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1980, and
  2. the Merseyside Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Police (Northern Ireland).—Copy of the Account of the Police Authority for Northern Ireland (including the Accounts of the Royal Ulster Constabulary Fund and the Police Property Fund) for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 2].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
- Offshore Installations.—Copies of Orders, dated 26th November 1980, entitled—
  1. the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 9) (Revocation) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1796),
  2. the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 12) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1797),
  3. the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 13) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1798), and

Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas:
- Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.—Copies of Statutes made by the Governing Bodies of—
  1. Christ Church, Oxford, on 7th July 1980 amending the Statutes of the House,
  2. Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on 19th July 1980 amending the Statutes of the College, and
  3. Emmanuel College, Cambridge, on 2nd June 1980 amending the Statutes of the College
  [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
- Sea Fisheries.—Copy of an Order, dated 20th November 1980, entitled the White Fish Authority (Research and Development Grants) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:
- Law Commissions.—Copy of a Report by the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission on the consolidation of certain enactments relating to pensions and other benefits payable in respect of service in judicial office (Judicial Pensions Bill) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8097].
Building Societies.—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th November 1980, entitled the Building Societies (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1741) [by Act].

Industrial Assurance.—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th November 1980, entitled the Industrial Assurance (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1740) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Tom Torney (nominated in respect of the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Mark Hughes.

MEMORANDA

Thursday 27th November 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Apple and Pear Development Council (Amendment) Order 1980 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980.

CHAIRMEN’S PANEL

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 106 (Deputy Speaker and Chairmen), Mr. Speaker nominated Mr. Ernest Armstrong, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Sir Albert Costain, Mr. Ifor Davies, Mr. Paul Dean, Mr. Michael English, Miss Janet Fookes, Mr. Victor Goodhew, Mr. Harry Gourlay, Mr. John Hunt, Sir Donald Kaberry, Mr. James Lamond, Mr. Ted Leadbitter, Mr. R. C. Mitchell, Mr. R. Bonner Pink, Mr. Michael Shaw, Mr. John Spence, Mr. David Watkins, and Mr. John Wells, to be members of the Chairmen’s Panel during this Session.

No. 7.

Friday, 28th November, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of the London Borough of Brent for the rejection of proposals to close Leopold Primary School was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1749) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)
Draft Community Budget for 1981.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the Draft of the General Budget of the European Communities for 1981, and Document No. 10479/80, a Draft Letter of Amendment to it; the amendments and modifications adopted by the European Parliament on 6th November 1980; Document No. 11203/79, Annual Report of the Court of Auditors for the financial year 1978; and Document No. 5861/80, Council recommendation to the European Parliament on the discharge to be given to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the Budget and of the Amending and Supplementary Budgets of the European Communities for the financial year 1978—(Mr. Nigel Lawson);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "calls upon Her Majesty's Government not to approve the 1981 Community Budget which fails to achieve a broad balance between the United Kingdom's contributions and the United Kingdom's receipts; which makes totally inadequate provision for regional, industrial and social policies and which continues to commit two-thirds of its total expenditure to the support of the Common Agricultural Policy", instead thereof.—(Mr. Peter Shore.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Terry Davis: 31.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 91.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;


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

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 28th November 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Government Departments (Trading Accounts and Balance Sheets).—Copy of the Accounts of certain Trading or Commercial Services conducted by Government Departments in the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 29].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture.—Copy of an Order, dated 27th November 1980, entitled the Sheep Variable Premium (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1811) [by Act].

Sea Fisheries.—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 27th November 1980, entitled the Fishing Nets Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1810),
(2) an Order, dated 27th November 1980, entitled the Immature Sea Fish Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1808),
(3) an Order, dated 27th November 1980, entitled the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1809), and

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Monday, 1st December, 1980.

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

Mr. Speaker's absence,—The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence, through illness, of Mr. Speaker from this day's sitting.

Whereupon Mr. Bernard Weatherill, 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 or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 39-i].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 20-iii].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 40-i].

Foreign Affairs,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lords- ships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Carrington to attend to be examined as a witness before the Foreign Affairs Committee.—(Mr. Anthony Kershaw.)

Scottish Affairs,—Ordered, That the matter of the Colleges of Education in Scotland, being a matter relating exclusively to Scotland, be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee for their consideration.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970 (Relaxation of Time Limits) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Industry Bill,—The Industry 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).

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

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to increase financial limits which apply in connection with the National Enterprise Board, the Scottish Development Agency, the Welsh Development Agency and the Development Board for Rural Wales ; to reduce the public dividend capital of the National Enterprise Board and of the two Agencies and the amount outstanding by way of loans made by the Secretary of State to the two Agencies ; to provide for extending the period in relation to which schemes under the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments) Act
1978 operate; and to provide for financial support in connection with certain matters affecting industry, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State in making such grants or loans to any body as he considers appropriate for the purpose of assisting in—
(i) the promotion of the practice of engineering;
(ii) the encouragement and improvement of links between industry, or any part of industry, and bodies or individuals concerned with education;
(iii) the encouragement of young persons and others to take up careers in industry, or in any part of industry, and to pursue appropriate educational courses;

(b) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State in guaranteeing obligations (arising out of loans) incurred by any body—
(i) which is established by Royal Charter;
(ii) whose members are for the time being appointed by the Secretary of State; and
(iii) which in his opinion is concerned with promoting the practice of engineering;

(c) any increase in the sums so payable, or payable out of the National Loans Fund or Consolidated Fund, under any other enactment which is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session—
(i) increasing the financial limit specified in relation to the National Enterprise Board in section 8(2) of the Industry Act 1975 to £2,251 million;
(ii) increasing the financial limit for the time being specified under section 5(3) of the Industry Act 1980 for the purposes of section 3 of that Act (property transferred to Secretary of State from National Enterprise Board) to £1,500 million and providing for that limit to be further increased by order of the Secretary of State;
(iii) increasing the financial limit specified in section 5(4) of the Act of 1980 (aggregate limit in relation to the combined expenditure of National Enterprise Board and Secretary of State) to £4,251 million;
(iv) increasing the financial limit specified in section 13(3) of the Scottish Development Agency Act 1975 to £700 million;
(v) increasing the financial limit specified in section 18(3) of the Welsh Development Agency Act 1975 to £450 million;
(vi) increasing the financial limit specified in section 12 of the Development of Rural Wales Act 1976 to £100 million;
(vii) reducing by £2 million the aggregate amount of the principal and interest outstanding in respect of sums advanced to the Scottish Development Agency by the Secretary of State under paragraph 4(1) of Schedule 2 to the Scottish Development Agency Act 1975 and by £1 million the aggregate of the amount of the principal and interest outstanding in respect of sums advanced to the Welsh Development Agency by the Secretary of State under paragraph 4(1) of Schedule 3 to the Welsh Development Agency Act 1975; and
(viii) giving power to increase from four years to six years the period in relation to which schemes made under the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments) Act 1978 operate; and

(d) payments into the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

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

And the Question having been proposed at Ten o'clock, and the Debate having con-tinued 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
Monday 1st December 1980
Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copy of a Report containing statistical information relating to bookmakers’ permits, betting agency permits and betting office licences in Great Britain for the year ended 31st May 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 5].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Building and Buildings,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th November 1980, entitled the Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1772) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Prior:

Employment Protection.—Copy of a Report by the Secretary of State for Employment on limits on guarantee payments [by Act]; to be printed [No. 6].

Terms and Conditions of Employment.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Social Services.—Copy of Government Observations on the Third Report from the Social Services Committee, Session 1979-80, on the Government’s White Papers on public expenditure: social services [by Command] [Cmnd. 8086].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Trade.—Return in Part to an Address to Her Majesty of 6th December 1979 in the last Session of Parliament for a Return of Statistics relating to overseas trade for each month during 1980, for October.

Companies.—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th November 1980, entitled the Companies (Unregistered Companies) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1784) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Welsh Affairs.—Copy of Government Observations on the First Report from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, Session 1979-80, on the role of the Welsh Office and associated bodies in developing employment opportunities in Wales [by Command] [Cmnd. 8085].

Mr. Norman Fowler:

Road Traffic.—Copies of Regulations, dated 24th November 1980, entitled—
(1) The Goods Haulage Operators (Certificates of Qualification) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1788), and
(2) the Goods Vehicle Operators (Qualifications) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1787)
[by Act].

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

Northern Ireland.—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—
(1) the Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, and
(2) the Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1981
[by Act].

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Trade on the Petition [8th August 1980 in the last Session of Parliament] from residents of Leicester praying for representations to be made to the Canadian Government against the culling of harp seals and for a ban on the import of harp seal products into the United Kingdom [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

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Tuesday, 2nd December, 1980.

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

Mr. Speaker’s absence.—The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence, through illness, of Mr. Speaker from this day’s sitting.

Whereupon Mr. Bernard Weatherill, 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.

Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.
Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill.—Ordered, That the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be considered upon Thursday.

British Railways Bill.—Ordered, That the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee, be considered upon Thursday.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords] be read a second time upon Thursday.

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

Trade.—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 Statistics relating to Overseas Trade of the United Kingdom for the year 1981 and for each month during 1981.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 2nd December and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-iii].

Minutes of Evidence, together with part of a Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-iv].

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 2nd December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36-iii].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-ii].

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 on Wednesday 10th December at half-past Four o’clock.

European Communities Committee.—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolutions, viz:

That a Select Committee be appointed to consider Community proposals, whether in draft or otherwise, to obtain all necessary information about them, and to make reports on those which, in the opinion of the Committee, raise important questions of policy or principle, and on other questions to which the Committee consider that the special attention of the House should be drawn;

That the Committee have power to appoint Sub-committees and to refer to such Sub-committees any of the matters within the terms of reference of the Committee; that the Committee have power to appoint the Chairmen of Sub-committees, but that such Sub-committees have power to appoint their own Chairmen for the purpose of particular enquiries; that two be the quorum of such Sub-committees;

That the Committee have power to co-opt any Lord for the purpose of serving on a Sub-committee;

That the Committee and any Sub-committees have power to adjourn from place to place;

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have leave to report from time to time;

That the Reports of the Select Committee from time to time shall be printed, notwithstanding any adjournment of the House;

That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee or any Sub-committee from time to time shall, if the Committee think fit, be printed and delivered out;
That the Committee or any Sub-committee appointed by them have leave to confer and to meet concurrently with any Committee of the Commons on European Legislation, &c., or any Sub-committee of that Committee for the purposes of deliberating and of examining witnesses; and have leave to agree with the Commons in the appointment of a Chairman for any such meeting; and

That any Lord requested by any Committee of the Commons on European Legislation, &c., 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.

Foreign Affairs,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Carrington to attend to be examined as a witness before the Foreign Affairs Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Welsh Affairs,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Hooson to attend to be examined as a witness before the Welsh Affairs Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Statutory Instrument, &c.—Ordered, That the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Northern Ireland Affairs,—Ordered, That the matter of the Proposal to establish an Enterprise Zone in Belfast, being a matter relating exclusively to Northern Ireland, be referred to the Northern Ireland Committee for their consideration.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

British Telecommunications Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Telecommunications 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 303.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. James Tinn : 234.

So the Question 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).

British Telecommunications [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to British Telecommunications [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to establish a public corporation to be called British Telecommunications, to make provision with respect to its functions and to transfer to it certain property, rights and liabilities of the Post Office thereinafter referred to as "the Act"); it is expedient to authorise:

A. Payments out of moneys provided by Parliament as follows:

1. Sums required by the Treasury for acquiring an interest in any shares or stock of Cable and Wireless Limited or any of its subsidiaries, or in any rights to subscribe for any such shares.
2. Any administrative expenses of the Secretary of State.
3. Any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in sums which, under any other enactment, are paid out of moneys so provided.

B. Payments out of the Consolidated Fund as follows:

1. Sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling any guarantee given by them under the Act for the repayment of, or the payment of interest on, any sums borrowed by British Telecommunications from a person other than the Secretary of State or any sums so borrowed by the Post Office the liability to repay which is transferred by the Act to British Telecommunications.
2. Any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in the sums which, under any other enactment, are paid out of that Fund.

C. Payments out of the National Loans Fund as follows:

1. Sums required by the Secretary of State to make loans to British Telecommunications, so long as the aggregate amount outstanding, otherwise than by way of interest, in respect of—

   (a) money borrowed by British Telecommunications or any of its wholly owned subsidiaries, other than money borrowed on excluded loans (within the meaning of the Act);
   (b) sums issued by the Treasury in fulfilment of guarantees given by them under the Act;
   (c) so much of the debt assumed by the Post Office under section 33 of the Post Office Act 1969 as is transferred to British Telecommunications by the Act; and
(d) money borrowed by the Post Office the liability to repay which is so transferred,
shall not at any time exceed £5,000 million or such greater sum not exceeding £6,500 million as the Secretary of State may by order specify.

2. Any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in the sums which, under section 37 of the Post Office Act 1969, are paid out of that Fund to enable the Secretary of State to make loans to the Post Office, so long as the aggregate of—
(a) the amount outstanding, otherwise than by way of interest, in respect of—
(i) money borrowed by the Post Office or any of its wholly owned subsidiaries, other than money borrowed on excluded loans (within the meaning of the Act);
(ii) sums issued by the Treasury in fulfilment of guarantees under section 38 of the said Act of 1969; and
(iii) the debt assumed by the Post Office under section 33 of that Act;
and
(b) sums received by the Post Office under section 3(1) of the Post Office (Banking Services) Act 1976 (public dividend capital),
shall not, at any time on or after the appointed day within the meaning of the Act, exceed £1,200 million or such greater sum not exceeding £1,700 million as the Secretary of State may by order specify.

3. Any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in the sums which, under any other enactment, are paid out of that Fund.

D. Any payment into the Consolidated Fund or the National Loans Fund.—(Mr. Adam Butler.)

National Health Service,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1503), dated 10th October 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th October in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled—(Mr. Roland Moyle);

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4 (Prayers against Statutory Instruments, &c. (negative procedure)).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Austin Mitchell: 229.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 280.

So the Question was negatived.

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 provisions of Standing Order No. 64 (Meetings of Standing Committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o'clock nor continue after the Committee have considered the matter for two hours at that sitting.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

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

And the House having continued to sit after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 3rd December, 1980:

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 2nd December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81,—Copy of a Note by the Financial Secretary to the Treasury on the Supply Estimates for the year ending 31st March 1981: winter supplementary estimates and provisional outturn for the first half of the year [by Command].

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81,—Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1981 for—
1. Civil Departments (Classes II-XVII: Civil), and
2. Defence Services (Class I: Defence)
[by Command]; to be printed [Nos. 8 and 7].

Supply Estimates (Vote on Account), 1981-82,—Estimates of—
1. the Defence Services (Class I), and
2. the Civil Services (Classes II-XVII)
for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1981 [by Command]; to be printed [Nos. 9 and 10].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:
Agricultural Research Council,—Copy of the Report of the Agricultural Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 3].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Social Services,—Copy of the Government Reply to the Second Report from the Social Services Committee, Session 1979-80, on perinatal and neonatal mortality [by Command] [Cmnd. 8084].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Agriculture,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:
Supply Estimates (Vote on Account), 1981-82,—Estimate for House of Commons: Administration (Class XIII-A), for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 11].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 2nd December 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Deputy Speaker allocated the Industry Bill to Standing Committee A; the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970 (Relaxation of Time Limits) Order 1980 and the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
Wednesday, 3rd December, 1980.

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 27th November, 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.

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

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36-iv].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December.

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

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-ii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-ii].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 50].

Foreign Affairs,—Mr. Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 41-i and ii].

Foreign Affairs,—Mr. Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 42-i].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 34-ii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December, together with Appendices.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 20-iv].

Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 20-v].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-ii].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-ii].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c,—Mr. Paul Dean reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 24th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 48].

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

Sound Broadcasting,—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolutions, viz.:

That they have appointed a Committee on Sound Broadcasting;

That the Committee have power to adjourn from place to place and to report from time to time;

That two be the Quorum of the Committee;

That the Committee have power to appoint specialist advisers;

That the Committee have power to join with any Select Committee on Sound Broadcasting that may be appointed by the Commons;

That the Committee have power to agree with the Commons in the appointment of a Chairman for any joint meeting.

European Assembly Elections Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the European Assembly Elections 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 296.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. James Tinn: 241.

So the Question 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. Robert Boscawen.)

Committee to-morrow.

Aids to Shipbuilding,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9866/80 and supports the Government in its efforts to ensure the continuation of an agreed framework within which temporary aid, in the light of the present crisis, may be provided to the Community Shipbuilding Industry—(Mr. Adam Butler);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “believes that any further reduction in shipbuilding capacity in the United Kingdom would be unacceptable, and urges the Government not to accept draft Instrument 9866/80 in its present form but to obtain the necessary changes to ensure that aid may be provided at levels sufficient to maintain a viable United Kingdom shipbuilding industry”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Joe Dean: 68.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. David Waddington: 118.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;
Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9866/80 and supports the Government in its efforts to ensure the continuation of an agreed framework within which temporary aid, in the light of the present crisis, may be provided to the Community Shipbuilding Industry.

Excise Duties on Beer, Wine and Alcohol.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7854/79, together with the supplementary memorandum by HM Customs and Excise dated 17th November, and would support acceptance by Her Majesty's Government of arrangements for the harmonisation of the structure of excise duties on alcoholic drinks which are compatible with the maintenance of a satisfactory excise duty system in the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Peter Brooke);

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

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An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "rejects the proposals contained in European Community Document No. 7854/79 on excise duties on beer, wine and alcohol; and calls on Her Majesty's Government not to accept any proposals, arrangements or decisions which take away from Her Majesty's Government and the House of Commons the unfeathered power to determine the structure of and the levels of excise duties on beer and wine", instead thereof.—(Mr. Denzil Davies.)

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

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).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 34.


So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7854/79, together with the supplementary memorandum by HM Customs and Excise dated 17th November, and would support acceptance by Her Majesty's Government of arrangements for the harmonisation of the structure of excise duties on alcoholic drinks which are compatible with the maintenance of a satisfactory excise duty system in the United Kingdom.

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

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 five minutes past Two o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.5 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 3rd December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer:

Taxes,—Copy of a Paper, entitled the Taxation of Husband and Wife [by Command] [Cmnd. 8093].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Road Traffic (Scotland),—Copy of a Report on the motorist and fixed penalties [by Command] [Cmd. 8027].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of—
(1) the Report of the Scottish Hospital Trust for the year ended 31st March 1980, and
(2) the Report and Accounts of the Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust for the year ended 31st July 1979 [by Act]: to be printed [Nos. 4 and 16].
Mr. Secretary Nott:


Patents,—Copy of Rules, dated 20th November 1980, entitled the Patents (Amendment No. 4) Rules 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1783) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Gas,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th November 1980, entitled the Gas (Meterication) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1980, No. 421) [by Act].


Mr. Norman Fowler:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th October 1980, entitled the Fowey Harbour Revision Order 1980; with a Certificate by the Minister of Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th November 1980, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 7) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1789) [by Act].

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

National Research Development Corporation,—Copy of the Accounts of the National Research Development Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 49].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Industry Bill, viz.: Mr. Donald Anderson, Mr. Alexander Fletcher, Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Les Hucklefield, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mr. John Lee, Dr. Oonagh McDonald, Mr. Thomas McNally, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. John Maxton, Mr. David Mitchell, Mr. Arthur Palmer, Mr. Michael Roberts, Mr. Malcolm Thornton, Mr. James Tinn, and Mr. David Trippier.

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the British Telecommunications Bill, viz.: Mr. David Alton, Mr. John Butcher, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. John Golding, Mr. John Gorst, Mr. Mark Lennex-Boyd, Mr. Gregor Mackenzie, Mr. John McWilliam, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. Ian Mikardo, Mr. Charles R. Morris, Mr. Gerard Neale, Mr. Richard Page, Mr. Roger Stott, Mr. Donald Thompson, and Mr. David Waddington.

Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Ten Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Colleges of Education in Scotland, viz.: Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. Tom Benyon, Mr. David Mellor, Mr. Fergus Montgomery, Mr. Richard Needham, Mr. Matthew Parris, Mr. James Pawsey, Mr. Barry Porter, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, and Mr. Anthony Speller.

Northern Ireland Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Twenty Members to serve on the Northern Ireland Committee in respect of the matter of the proposal to establish an Enterprise Zone in Belfast, viz.: Mr. Jonathan Aitken, Mr. Tom Arnold, Mr. William Benyon, Mr. John Biggs-Davison, Mr. Frank Dobson, Mr. John Farr, Dr. Alan Glyn, Mr. Philip Goodhart, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Carol Mather, Dr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. Michael Morris, Mr. Tom Pendry, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. Stan Thorne, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980.
Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Apple and Pear Development Council (Amendment) Order 1980, viz.: Mr. Robert Banks, Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Dr. David Clerk, Mr. David Crouch, Mr. Stan Crompton, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Paul Marland, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Stanley Newens, Mr. Colin Shepherd, Mr. Michael Spierenburg, Mr. Jack Straw, Dr. Roger Thomas, Mr. Tom Toone, Mr. Edwin Wainwright, and Mr. Jerry Wiggin.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980, viz.: Mr. Keith Best, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Hor Davies, Mr. Ioan Evans, Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones, Sir Raymond Gover, Mr. Tom Hooson, Mr. Ednyfed Hudson Davies, Mr. Barry Jones, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Geraint Morgan, Mr. Raymond Powell, Dr. Roger Thomas, Mr. Alan Williams, and Mr. Delwyn Williams.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980, viz.: Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. Robert Mackenman, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Bob McTaggart, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Martin O'Neill, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Iain Sproat, and Mr. James White.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980, viz.: Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Hugh D. Brown, Mr. John Corrie, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. George Foulkes, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. William McKelvey, Mr. John Maxton, Dr. M. S. Miller, Mr. Malcolm Rijkind, Mr. George Robertson, Mr. Allan Stewart, and Mr. Bill Walker.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Robert Boscoven, Mr. Andrew Bowden, Mr. Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Stephen Dorrell, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Derek Foster, Mr. David Ginsbury, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. Robert Kiernan, Mr. David Knox, Mr. Michael Neubert, Mr. John Tilley, and Mr. Bowen Wells.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980, viz.: Mr. Alec Buchanan-Smith, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. Peter Morrison, Mr. David Mudd, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Ray Powell, Mr. Iain Sproat, Mr. Roger Stott, Mr. Gavin Strang, and Mr. Patrick Wall.

MEMORANDUM
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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the British Telecommunications Bill to Standing Committee B.
PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 11th December.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 11th December.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 11th December.

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

Chairmen's Panel,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Chairmen's Panel several Resolutions, which were read, as follows:

(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.

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-ii].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence before them on 4th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 53-i].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c. 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. 32-iii].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 4th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15-ii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

House of Commons (Services).—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 3rd December to be printed [No. 46-i].

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1800) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Supply [1st allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.
Decline of the British Engineering Industry.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, appalled at the dramatic decline in the engineering industry, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to reverse its destructive economic policies before the damage becomes irreversible—(Mr. John Silkin);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words “this House, recognising the pressures on British engineering caused by world recession and international trading conditions, believes that the industry's difficulties, which have been building up over past decades, can be overcome only by achieving international competitiveness”, instead thereof.—(Secretary Sir Keith Joseph.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Austin Mitchell: 234.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 294.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 290.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 233.

So the Question was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to, pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments).

Resolved, That this House, recognising the pressures on British engineering caused by world recession and international trading conditions, believes that the industry's difficulties, which have been building up over the past decades, can be overcome only by achieving international competitiveness.

House of Commons Members' Fund.—Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 3 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1948, the maximum annual amounts of the periodical payments which may be made out of the House of Commons Members' Fund under the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1939 as amended by the said Act of 1948 and by the Resolutions of the House of 17th November 1955, 7th March 1957, 17th May 1961, 9th March 1965, 4th May 1971, 1st August 1972, 29th November 1974, 27th November 1975, 8th November 1976, 30th November 1977, 6th December 1977, 30th November 1978 and 10th December 1979 be varied as from 1st December 1980, as follows:

(a) for paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the said Act of 1939, as so amended, there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

1. The annual amount of any periodical payment made to any person by virtue of his past membership of the House of Commons shall not exceed £1,670 or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring his income up to £3,085 per annum, whichever is the less:
Provided that if, having regard to length of service and need, the trustees think fit, they may make a larger payment not exceeding £3,220 or such sum as, in their opinion, will bring his income up to £4,635 per annum, whichever is the less;

(b) for paragraph 2 of the said Schedule there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

2. The annual amount of any periodical payment to any person by virtue of her being a widow of a past Member of the House of Commons shall not exceed £835 or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring her income up to £2,250 per annum, whichever is the less:
Provided that if, having regard to her husband's length of service or to her need, the trustees think fit, they may make a larger payment not exceeding £1,610 or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring her income up to £3,025 per annum, whichever is the less;

(c) in paragraph 2A of the said Schedule for the words “the annual amount of any periodical payment” to the end of the paragraph, there shall be substituted the words:

“the annual amount of any periodical payment made to any such widower shall not exceed £835 or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring his income up to £2,250 per annum, whichever is the less:}
Provided that if, having regard to his wife's length of service or to his needs, the trustees think fit, they may make a larger payment not exceeding £1,610 or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring his income up to £3,025 per annum, whichever is the less. —(Mr. John Parker.)

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from businessmen of Lancashire against the proposals outlined in "Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy" 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 Cope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow. [Adjourned at 10.56 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 4th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Food (Miscellaneous No. 26, 1980).—Copy of the International Olive Oil Agreement, 1979, open for signature at Madrid from 1st July to 16th November 1979 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8101].


Mr. Secretary Younger:
Clean Air.—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th November 1980, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Scotland) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1773) [by Act].

Licences and Licensing.—Copy of an Order, dated 13th November 1980, entitled the Fees for Cinematograph Licences (Variation) (Scotland) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1780) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Mr. Secretary Nott:
Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 4th December 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1867) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Gas.—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st December 1980, entitled the Gas (Metrication) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1851) [by Act].

Mr. Norman Fowler:
Transport.—Statements of determination of the salaries of—
(1) the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the British Railways Board,
(2) the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the British Transport Docks Board, and
(3) the Chairman and members of the National Ports Council [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Les Huckfield (nominated in respect of the Industry Bill); and had appointed in substitution Dr. John Cunningham.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Russell Fairgrieve (nominated in respect of the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.
MEMORANDUM

Thursday 4th December 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Michael Shaw Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Industry Bill; Mr. R. C. Mitchell Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the British Telecommunications Bill; Mr. Harry Gourlay Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Colleges of Education in Scotland; Mr. Ifor Davies Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Housing in Wales; Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Northern Ireland Committee in respect of the matter of the proposal to establish an Enterprise Zone in Belfast; Mr. David Watkins Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980; Mr. R. Bonner Pink Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Apple and Pear Development Council (Amendment) Order 1980; Mr. Ernest Armstrong Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980; Mr. John Spence Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980; and Mr. Ted Leadbitter Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970 (Relaxation of Time Limits) Order 1980 and the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980.

PRAYERS.

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

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for the introduction of a blindness allowance was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Brighton for amendment of the European Communities Act 1972 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 (see Appendix).

Perinatal and Neonatal Mortality,—Resolved, That this House takes note of the Second Report from the Social Services Committee, Session 1979-80, on perinatal and neonatal mortality (House of Commons Paper No. 663) and the relevant Government Observations (Cmnd. 8084).—(Mr. Secretary Jenkin.)

Veterinary Surgeons,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 29th October 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Peter Brooke) :—It was agreed to.

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

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

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 5th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Drafts of Undertakings between the Secretary of State for Scotland and—
(1) Glenlight Shipping Limited and Clyde Shipping Company Limited,
(2) Hay and Company (Lerwick) Limited and John Fleming and Company Limited,
and
(3) Shetland Line Limited and Melton Securities Limited
[by Act].

Museums and Galleries,—Copy of the Report of the National Galleries of Scotland
for 1979 [by Act].

Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th December 1980, entitled the Sea Fishing
(North-West Scottish Coast Waters) (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) Order 1980 (S.I.,
1980, No. 1868) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Iron and Steel,—Statements of—
(1) appointment of a member, and
(2) determination of the salaries of the Deputy Chairman and members
of the British Steel Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Coal Industry,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Redundant Mineworkers and Concessional
Coal (Payments Schemes) (Amendment No. 3) Order 1980 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Friendly Societies,—Copy of the Report of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies for
1979, incorporating the Report of the Industrial Insurance Commissioner [by Act].

[No. 13.]

Monday, 8th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee. That they had
directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th December.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 39-ii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil
Service Committee. That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred,
and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to
make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).
Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 54].
Minute of Proceedings of the Committee on 8th December to be printed [No. 54].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with
respect to Anguilla ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Anguilla
Bill [Lords]].

Anguilla Bill [Lords],—The Anguilla Bill [Lords] was read the first time ; and ordered to be
read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 13].

Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message of 2nd December
as relates to the place and time of meeting of the Joint Committee on Consolidation,
&c., Bills 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.
Social Security (Contributions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security (Contributions) 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 319.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 261.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. John Wakeham);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 317.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Joe Dean : 262.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committee to-morrow.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Wakeham.)

Social Security (Contributions) [Money], Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Social Security (Contributions) [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision in connection with certain contributions payable under the Social Security Act 1975, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase in the amount payable by way of Treasury supplement under section 1(5) of the Social Security Act 1975 attributable to any provision of the said Act of the present Session giving power by order to alter the percentage by reference to which the amount of that supplement is calculated—(Mr. Secretary Jenkin);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 313.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. George Morton : 257.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision in connection with certain contributions payable under the Social Security Act 1975, it is expedient to authorise any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums which—

(a) under the Act of 1975, are to be taken as paid towards the cost of the National Health Service in Great Britain; or

(b) are payable under the National Insurance Surcharge Act 1976 by way of surcharge on secondary Class 1 contributions.—(Mr. Secretary Jenkin.)

Imports of Whale Products,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 6873/80, the Department of the Environment’s Explanatory Memorandum of 4th June 1980 and the Supplementary Memorandum of 2nd December 1980 concerned with common rules for import of whale products; and welcomes the Government’s initiative for this Regulation which both significantly increases protection for whales and takes due account of the needs of affected interests—(Mr. Marcus Fox);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning;
Tuesday, 9th December, 1980:

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 this House takes note of European Community Document No. 6873/80, the Department of the Environment's Explanatory Memorandum of 4th June 1980 and the Supplementary Memorandum of 2nd December 1980 concerned with common rules for import of whale products; and welcomes the Government's initiative for this Regulation which both significantly increases protection for whales and takes due account of the needs of affected interests.

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Resolved, That the draft Employment Protection (Variation of Limits) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 1st December, be approved.—(Mr. Patrick Mayhew.)

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Eccles for an investigation into the death of Sharon Jakulis and the subsequent hearing was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until nine minutes to Two o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.51 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 8th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Royal Hospital, Chelsea,—Copy of the Account of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea (for services other than those voted by Parliament), for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 55].

Mr. Secretary Pym:
Defence (Royal Navy),—List of exceptions to the Queen's Regulations as to pay, non-effective pay and allowances during the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Social Services,—Copy of the Government's Reply to the First Report from the Social Services Committee, Session 1979-80, on arrangements for paying social security benefits [by Command] [Cmnd. 8106].

Mr. Secretary Nott:
Civil Aviation,—Statement of determination of the pension of a member of the Civil Aviation Authority [by Act].


Mr. Norman Fowler:
Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st December 1980, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) Regulations 1980 [by Act].

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Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd (nominated in respect of the British Telecommunications Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Barry Henderson.

MEMORANDUM

Monday 8th December 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.
Tuesday, 9th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill.—The Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Private Bills.—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That in accordance with Standing Order 81 relating to Private Business (Division of Bills between this House and the House of Lords) he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and they had determined that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

- British Railways (Victoria),
- County of Avon,
- Cumbria,
- Great Yarmouth Borough Council,
- Milford Docks,
- Peterborough Development Corporation,
- Preston Borough Council,
- Sion College,
- United Reformed Church,
- United Reformed Church (Slough),
- Wallerawang Collieries, Limited;

and that the Bills contained in the following list should originate in the House of Commons, viz.:

- Allied Irish Banks,
- Barnsley Borough Council,
- British Railways (No. 2),
- British Railways (Pension Schemes),
- British Transport Docks,
- Charterhouse Japhet,
- Greater London Council (General Powers),
- Lloyd's,
- Lloyds Bank,
- London Transport,
- Northumbrian Water Authority,
- Whitehaven Harbour,
- Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier.

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 9th December and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-v].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-vi].

Environment.—Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann reported from the Environment 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. 60].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 60].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 62].
Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-iii].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, 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. 61].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-iii].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. David Watkins reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 1st December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 59].

Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Howell, supported by Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. Norman Lamont, and Mr. John Moore, presented a Bill to extend the power of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority to dispose of shares held by them in any company and the power of the Secretary of State to dispose of shares held by him in companies engaged in activities in the field of atomic energy or radioactive substances; to extend the power of the Secretary of State with respect to the application of sums received by the Authority; 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 12].

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the Sheep Variable Premium (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1811) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the White Fish Authority (Research and Development Grants) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1867) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

St. Lucia (Independence Gift),—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 clock and gavel set to the Parliament of St. Lucia, and assuring Her Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

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.
Dominica (Independence Gift).—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 Speaker's Chair to the House of Assembly of Dominica, and assuring Her Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.

—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas.)

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.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 315.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. George Morton : 260.

So the Question 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).

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision as regards local government in Scotland and to amend the Housing (Scotland) Acts 1966 to 1980, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase in the sums so payable under or by virtue of any other Act in so far as any such increase is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 28th October 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Philip Goodhart.)

Anguilla Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That in respect of the Anguilla Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. John Cope.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.46 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 9th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:

Customs and Excise.—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st December 1980, entitled the Customs and Excise (Repayment of Customs Duties) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1825) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Broadcasting.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Broadcasting Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command].

Offences relating to Motor Vehicles.—Copy of Statistics of offences relating to motor vehicles in England and Wales in 1979 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8087].

Prisons.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Imprisonment (Temporary Provision) Act 1980 (Continuance No. 2) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Court of Session (Scotland).—Copy of an Order, dated 26th November 1980, entitled the Appointment of Judges as Arbiters (Fees) (Scotland) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1823) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Nott:

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 8th December 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1834) [by Act].

Customs and Excise.—Copy of the Report by the Department of Trade on its exercise of the powers conferred by certain sections of the European Communities Act 1972 and the Customs and Excise Duties (General Reliefs) Act 1979 for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 22].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industrial Development.—Copy of an Order, dated 8th December 1980, entitled the Derelict Land Clearance Areas Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1890) [by Act].


Mr. Peter Walker:

Food and Drugs.—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st December 1980, entitled the Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1838) [by Act].

Mr. Norman Fowler:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—Copy of an Order, dated 29th July 1980, entitled the Sullom Voe Harbour Revision Order 1980; with a Certificate by the Minister of Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:

Law Commissions.—Copy of a Report by the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission on the draft Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [by Command] [Cmnd. 8089].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Malcolm Rifkind (nominated in respect of the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense For Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Russell Fairgrieve.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the White Fish Authority (Research and Development Grants) Order 1980, viz.: Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. James Johnston, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. Peter Morrison, Mr. David Mudd, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Raymond Powell, Mr. Iain Sproat, Mr. Roger Stott, Mr. Gavin Strang, and Mr. Patrick Wall.

MEMORANDA

Tuesday 9th December 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 and the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the Sheep (Variable Premium) (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the draft Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the White Fish Authority (Research and Development Grants) Order 1980 and the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Ted Leadbitter Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the White Fish Authority (Research and Development Grants) Order 1980.
Bearsden and Milngavie District Council Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Bearsden and Milngavie District Council; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday 16th December and to be printed [Bill 11].

Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday 16th December and to be printed [Bill 10].

Dunfermline District Council Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Dunfermline District Council; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday 16th December and to be printed [Bill 9].

Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to the Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment); And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday 16th December and to be printed [Bill 8].

Peterhead Harbours Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Peterhead Harbours; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday 16th December and to be printed [Bill 7].

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

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—Mr. Alec Woodall reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, 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 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. 75].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 75].

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 draft Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, the draft Clean Air (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, the draft Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, and the draft Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 were referred, That they had gone through the Orders, 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 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. 74].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 74].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-iv].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-iv].

Foreign Affairs.—Mr. Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th December.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 42-ii].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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. 72].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-iii].

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 25th November, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 73].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. R. Bonner Pink reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Apple and Pear Development Council (Amendment) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 27th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 65].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Ernest Armstrong reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 28th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 71].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. John Spence reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1749), referred to a Committee on 28th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 66].

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970 (Relaxation of Time Limits) Order 1980, the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980, and the White Fish Authority (Research and Development Grants) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 1st December and 9th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 67].

Water Bill,—Mr. Secretary Heseltine, supported by Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, and Mr. Tom King, presented a Bill to provide for increasing the borrowing powers of the British Waterways Board and to make further provision relating to water supply: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 15].

Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Younger, supported by Mr. Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr. Alexander Fletcher, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, and Mr. Nigel Lawson, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to education in Scotland; to amend the Teaching Council (Scotland) Act 1965; and to transfer to the respective University Courts the power of appointing the Principals of the Universities of St. Andrews, Glasgow and Aberdeen: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 14].

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Appropriation (No. 3) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Financial Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 (Continuance) (No. 2) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 3rd December, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Atkins);
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 11th December, 1980:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. David Waddington : 93.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Andrew Bennett : 21.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 (Continuance) (No. 2) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 3rd December, be approved.

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

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

[Adjourned at 1.35 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 10th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 27th, 29th, 30th, 31st October, 3rd and 6th November 1980, and
(2) 7th, 10th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 17th November 1980
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 69 and 70].

Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 26th November 1980 on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Telegraphs,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 2nd December 1980, entitled the Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1848), and
(2) 3rd December 1980, entitled the Wireless Telegraphy (General Licence Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1850)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Food and Drugs,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd December 1980, entitled the Milk (Special Designations) (Scotland) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1866) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Social Science Research Council,—Copy of the Report of the Social Science Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 21].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Food and Drugs,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st December 1980, entitled the Welfare Food (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1836) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Weights and Measures,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th December 1980, entitled the Measuring Instruments (Liquid Fuel and Lubricants) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1878) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Local Government,—Copies of Orders, dated—
(1) 2nd December 1980, entitled the Greater Manchester (Local Statutory Provisions) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1845), and
[by Act].
Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Fisheries Amendment (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas:

Public Libraries and Museums,—Copy of the Report of the Minister for the Arts on library matters for 1979-80 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Food and Drugs,—Copies of Regulations, dated 1st December 1980, entitled—
(1) the Antioxidants in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1831),
(2) the Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1833),
(3) the Miscellaneous Additives in Food Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1834), and
(4) the Solvents in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1832) [by Act].

Mr. Norman Fowler:
Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th November 1980, entitled the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers' Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1821) [by Act].

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

County Courts,—Copy of Rules, dated 28th November 1980, entitled the County Court Funds (Amendment) Rules 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1957) [by Act].

Legal Aid and Advice,—Copies of Regulations, dated 2nd December 1980, entitled—
(1) the Legal Advice and Assistance Regulations (No. 2) 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1898), and
(2) the Legal Aid (General) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1894) [by Act].

Magistrates' Courts,—Copies of Rules, dated—
(2) 19th November 1980, entitled the Magistrates' Courts (Maintenance Orders Act 1958) (Amendment) Rules 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1896), and
(3) 27th November 1980, entitled the Justices' Clerks (Qualifications of Assistants) (Amendment) Rules 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1897) [by Act].


Supreme Court of Judicature,—Copy of Rules, dated 28th November 1980, entitled the Supreme Court Funds (Amendment) Rules 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1858) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Scottish Standing Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, viz.:—Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Hugh D. Brown, Mr. Donald Dewar, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. George Foulkes, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Malcolm Rikkind, Mr. George Robertson, Mr. Iain Sproat, Mr. Allan Stewart, and Mr. Bill Walker.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1800) and the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1867), viz.:—Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Harry Covans, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Stephen Dorrell, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. George Gardiner, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Robert Parry, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. Bowen Wells, Mr. Mark Wolfson, Mr. Alec Woodall, and Mr. David Young.
Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Sheep Variable Premium (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1811), viz.: Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, Mr. W. E. Garrett, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Paul Marland, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Albert Roberts, Mr. Gavin Strang, Mr. Roger Stott, Dr. Roger Thomas, and Mr. Tom Torney.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980, viz.: Mr. Kenneth Carlisle, Dr. David Clark, Mr. Michael Colvin, Mr. James A. Dunn, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Robert Hicks, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Stan Newens, Mr. Raymond Powell, Mr. Jack Straw, Mr. Bill Walker, and Mr. Jerry Wiggin.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980, viz.: Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Nick Budgen, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Jim Craigen, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Dan Jones, Mr. Nigel Lawson, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. Bryan Maggs, Mr. Anthony Newton, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. John Ryman, Mr. Keith Stainton, Mr. Anthony Steen, Mr. Teddy Taylor, Mr. John Townend, and Mr. Ray Whitney.

[No. 16.]

Thursday, 11th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 18th December.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 16th December.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 18th December.

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

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th December. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-iii].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 11th December. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15-iii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Forestry Bill.—Mr. Peter Walker, supported by Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, and Mr. Jerry Wiggin, presented a Bill to amend the Forestry Act 1967, 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 17].

Social Security (Contributions) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Social Security (Contributions) Bill.

(In the Committee)

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Clause No. 1 (Increase in contributions).

Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 1, line 12, to leave out "£27" and insert "£28".—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn: 226.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 284.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed, in page 1, line 13, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

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 Lord James Douglas-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.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, at this day's sitting, the Social Security (Contributions) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 293.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. James Hamilton: 203.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Social Security (Contributions) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.

Social Security (Contributions) Bill.—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Social Security (Contributions) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Increase in contributions).

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 5) be made:—Debate resumed.

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

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 251.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Terry Davis: 81.

Question put accordingly, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Terry Davis: 79.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 251.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed, in page 1, line 15, to leave out the words "7.75 per cent." and insert the words "7.25 per cent.".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 76.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Waddington, Mr. Peter Brooke: 241.

Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed, in page 1, line 16, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 30.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Waddington, Mr. Peter Brooke: 221.
Another Amendment (No. 11) proposed, in page 1, line 23, to leave out "£3.40" and insert "£3.00".—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Terry Davis: 25.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Waddington, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 212.

Another Amendment (No. 12) proposed, in page 2, line 5, to leave out "£5.15" and insert "£4.70".—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. Walter Harrison: 22.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Tony Newton: 211.

Another Amendment (No. 13) proposed, in page 2, line 7, to leave out "£3.30" and insert "£2.90".—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Ronald Leighton: 20.


Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed, in page 2, line 10, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. J. W. Rooker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Terry Davis: 16.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. David Waddington: 197.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 194.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 16.

Clause No. 2 (Alteration of Treasury supplement to contributions).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.


Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 15.

Clause No. 3 (Allocation of contributions).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Wakeham: 193.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 16.

Clause No. 4 (Supplemental).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John MacGregor, Mr. Tony Newton: 193.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 15.

Clause No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of principal Act (No. 2))—(Mr. J. W. Rooker)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—

Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Bill to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tony Newton reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. Anthony Berry: 191.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Walter Harrison: 15.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Taxes,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 24th November, be approved—(Mr. Tony Newton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. David Waddington: 154.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 6.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons and Inheritances and on Gifts) (Sweden) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 24th November, be approved.

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

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

[Adjourmed at 6.31 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 11th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Customs and Excise,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th December 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (Greece) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1911) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Immigration,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th December 1980, entitled the Immigration (Control of Entry through Republic of Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1859) [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 91, 1980),—Copy of the Third Supplementary List of ratifications, accessions, withdrawals, etc., for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8090].

Pensions,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 5th December 1980, entitled the Ghana Public Officers' Widows' and Orphans' Pensions Fund (United Kingdom) (Amendment) Scheme 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Local Government (Scotland),—Copy of an Order, dated 25th November 1980, entitled the Local Authority Grants (Termination) (Scotland) Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Education,—Copies of Regulations, dated 2nd December 1980, entitled—

(1) the Direct Grant Schools (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1861), and

(2) the Education (Areas to which Pupils belong) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1862) [by Act].
Sex Discrimination.—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd December 1980, entitled the Sex Discrimination (Designated Educational Establishments) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1860) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Pay Comparability.—Copy of a Report of the Standing Commission on Pay Comparability on new towns staff [by Command] [Cmnd. 8109].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Nott:
Civil Aviation.—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th December 1980, entitled the Civil Aviation (Joint Financing) (Third Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1892) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Iron and Steel.—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th December 1980, entitled the European Communities (Iron and Steel Employees Re-adaptation Benefits Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., No. 1912) [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Food and Drugs.—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 2nd December 1980, entitled the Food Labelling Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1849), and
(2) 3rd December 1980, entitled the Milk (Special Designation) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1865) [by Act].

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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petitions [26th November and 4th December] from residents of Shropshire and Lancashire against the proposals outlined in "Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy" [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Supreme Court of Judicature,—Copy of Rules, dated 10th December 1980, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment No. 3) 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1908) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Scottish Standing Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the First Scottish Standing Committee Mr. George Robertson (nominated in respect of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Martin O'Neill.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Stanley Clinton Davis (nominated in respect of the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 and the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980); and had appointed in substitution Mr. John Fraser.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Dr. David Clark (nominated in respect of the draft Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980); and had appointed in substitution Mr. John Home Robertson.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. John Garrett (nominated in respect of the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robert Sheldon.
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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill to the First Scottish Standing Committee.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Harry Gourlay Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill; Miss Betty Bootbyd Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980; Miss Janet Fookes Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 and the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980; Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980; Sir Albert Costain Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980; and Mr. John Hunt Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980.

[No. 17.]

Friday, 12th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport Bill.—Mr. Norman Fowler, supported by Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Kenneth Clarke, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to the disposal by the British Railways Board of part of their undertaking, property, rights and liabilities; to provide for the reconstitution of the British Transport Docks Board under the name of British Ports and to confer on a company powers over that body corresponding to the powers of a holding company over a wholly-owned subsidiary; to dissolve the National Ports Council and amend the Harbours Act 1964; to make further provision for promoting road safety; to provide a new basis of vehicle excise duty for goods vehicles; to amend the law as to the payments to be made for cab licences and cab driver's licences; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 15th December and to be printed [Bill 18].

Brandt Commission Report.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets that Her Majesty's Government has not responded more positively to the Report of the Brandt Commission "North-South: A Programme for Survival"—(Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann):—Debate arising:

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Friday 12th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

National Debt.—Copy of Papers relative to the position as at 31st March 1979 of certain funds left in trust for the reduction of the National Debt [by Command] [Cmnd. 8095].
Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Education and Science on the Petition [12th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament] from citizens of the United Kingdom praying for measures to promote courses of liberal education in colleges of further education [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Supreme Court.—Copy of Rules, dated 26th November 1980, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) (No. 3) 1980 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1980, No. 433) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Russell Fairgrieve (nominated in respect of the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.

[No. 18.]

Monday, 15th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 78].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration.

Memorandum to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15-iv].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, 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. 79].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 79].

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 6(6), proceedings on Private Members’ Notices of Motions shall, if not previously concluded, lapse at Seven o’clock or three hours after they have been entered upon, whichever is the later.—(Mr. Michael Jopling)

Government Policies in Scotland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the fact that over a quarter of a million people are now registered as unemployed in Scotland; and calls for the implementation of policies which will secure an end to the hardship and misery caused by this tragic waste of human resources—(Mr. Gavin Strang) ; —Debate arising ;

Mr. Gavin Strang rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker stated that the Motion was unnecessary.

Resolved, That this House deplores the fact that over a quarter of a million people are now registered as unemployed in Scotland; and calls for the implementation of policies which will secure an end to the hardship and misery caused by this tragic waste of human resources.
Anguilla Bill [Lords].—The Anguilla Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

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.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton 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.

Prisons.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Continuance No. 2) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 9th December, be approved—(Mr. Leon Brittan);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Wakeham, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 95.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Bob Cryer : 31.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Continuance No. 2) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 9th December, be approved.

Industrial Organisation and Development.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Apple and Pear Development Council (Amendment) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 11th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act (Variation of Financial Limit) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 24th November, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

Companies.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Companies (Fees) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1749), a copy of which was laid before this House on 21st November, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

Sea Fisheries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Sea Fisheries Industry Act 1970 (Relaxation of Time Limits) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 26th November, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

Sea Fisheries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Fishing Vessels (Acquisition and Improvement) (Grants) (Variation) Scheme 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief
(Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr. John Wakeham)—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, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands) Order 1980 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr. John Wakeham)—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 Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr. John Wakeham)—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 Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 24th November—(Mr. John Wakeham)—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.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for support for research into techniques to render unnecessary the use of living animals for scientific research was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

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

Monday 15th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Forestry.—Copy of the Accounts of the Forestry Commission for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Report and Accounts of the Forestry Commission for the year ended 31st March 1980 [No. 14].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Medical Profession.—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th November 1980, entitled the Abortion (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1864) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Social Security.—Copy of a Report by the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the Social Security (Overlapping Benefits) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1927) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8116].

Mr. Secretary Nott:
Trade Marks.—Copy of Rules, dated 15th December 1980, entitled the Trade Marks (Amendment No. 2) Rules 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1931) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Mr. Peter Walker:

Forestry.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Forestry Commission for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on the Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 14].

Mr. Norman Fowler:

Road Traffic.—Copy of Regulations, dated—

(1) 25th November 1980, entitled the Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1855), and
(2) 2nd December 1980, entitled the Traffic Signs (Temporary Obstructions) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1854) [by Act].

Mr. Paul Channon:


MEMORANDUM

Monday 15th December 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 19.]

Tuesday, 16th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

St. Lucia (Independence Gift).—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, that their Address of 9th December relating to St. Lucia (Independence Gift) 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 clock and gavel set to the Parliament of St. Lucia, and assuring me that your House will make good the expenses attending the same.

It gave me great pleasure to learn that your House desires to make such a presentation and I will gladly give directions for carrying your proposal into effect.

Dominica (Independence Gift).—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, that their Address of 9th December relating to Dominica (Independence Gift) 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 Speaker’s Chair to the House of Assembly of Dominica, and assuring me that your House will make good the expenses attending the same.

It gives me great 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 15th December 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) (Netherlands) Order 1980, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (The Gambia) Order 1980, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Norway) (No. 3) Order 1980 and the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order 1980 be made in the form of the drafts laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.
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:

Anguilla Act 1980.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday.

Bearsden and Milngavie District Council Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Bearsden and Milngavie District Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Dunfermline District Council Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Dunfermline District Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Peterhead Harbours Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Peterhead Harbours 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).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 18-vii].

Foreign Affairs,—Mr. Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 16th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 26-iii].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed her to make to the House; and had directed her to report an Appendix: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 85].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 85].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Miss Betty Boothroyd reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980, referred to a Committee on 2nd December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 80].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Miss Janet Fookes reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980, and the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 4th and 9th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 81].
Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Sir Albert Costain reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980, referred to a Committee on 9th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 82].

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. John Hunt reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 9th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 83].

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, if proceedings on the Motions in the name of Mr. Nigel Lawson relating to Civil and Defence Estimates have not been disposed of by Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker shall proceed, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2)(c) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), to put forthwith any Questions necessary to dispose of the said Motions.—(Mr. Michael Jopling.)

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

Steel Industry, Industrial Recovery and Employment Prospects,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, appalled by the indifference of Her Majesty's Government to the rapid decline in the United Kingdom's manufacturing base and aware that a strong national steel industry is essential to the United Kingdom's industrial recovery, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to provide the resources necessary for an expanded programme to stop an immediate heavy loss of jobs and a highly damaging reduction in capacity.—(Mr. Stanley Orme):

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House believes that it is important to the United Kingdom's manufacturing industry to have available good quality steel at internationally competitive prices; notes that the British Steel Corporation has just adopted a corporate plan to enable the Corporation profitably to supply United Kingdom and overseas markets; and asks the Government to give the plan careful consideration", instead thereof.—(Secretary Sir Keith Joseph.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 247.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Anthony Berry: 323.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House believes that it is important to the United Kingdom's manufacturing industry to have available good quality steel at internationally competitive prices; notes that the British Steel Corporation has just adopted a corporate plan to enable the Corporation profitably to supply United Kingdom and overseas markets; and asks the Government to give the plan careful consideration.

And it being after Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order this day, to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Motions relating to Civil and Defence Estimates.

Defence Estimates, 1981-82 (Vote on Account).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a sum, not exceeding £4,982,695,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Defence Services for the year ending on 31st March 1982, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 9—(Mr. Nigel Lawson):—It was agreed to.

Civil Estimates (Class XIIIA), 1981-82 (Vote on Account).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a sum, not exceeding £24,777,893,700, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Civil Services for the year ending on 31st March 1982, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 10—(Mr. Nigel Lawson):—It was agreed to.

Civil Estimates (Class XIIIA) 1981-82 (Vote on Account).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a sum, not exceeding £5,055,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, on account, for or
towards defraying the charges for House of Commons: Administration for the year ending on 31st March 1982, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 11—(Mr. Nigel Lawson)—It was agreed to.


A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a supplementary sum, not exceeding £277,501,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges for Defence Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1981, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 7—(Mr. Nigel Lawson);

The House proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Carol Mather and Mr. Anthony Berry 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.

Resolved, That a supplementary sum, not exceeding £277,501,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges for Defence Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1981, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 7.

Civil Supplementary Estimates, 1980-81.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a further supplementary sum, not exceeding £1,950,143,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charges for Civil Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1981, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 8—(Mr. Nigel Lawson)—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. John Biffen, Mr. Nigel Lawson, and Mr. Peter Rees, do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund Bill.—Mr. Nigel Lawson accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1981 and 1982: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 16].

Community Tariff Quota for Newsprint.—Resolved, That this House takes note of the draft proposal by the Commission of the European Communities for a Council Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for newsprint falling within the subheading 48.01 A of the Common Customs Tariff (1981) and extending this quota to include certain other types of paper, as set out in the Department of Trade's unnumbered Explanatory Memoranda dated 28th November 1980 and 11th December 1980.—(Mr. Norman Tebbit.)

Coal Industry.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Redundant Mineworkers and Concessionary Coal (Payments Schemes) (Amendment No. 3) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved—(Mr. John Moore);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put;

Resolved, That the draft Redundant Mineworkers and Concessionary Coal (Payments Schemes) (Amendment No. 3) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. John Cope):—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 ten minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.50 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday 16th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Consolidated Fund and National Loans Fund,—Copy of Supplementary Statements showing details of the transactions on the Consolidated Fund in the year ended 31st March 1980; the assets and liabilities of the Consolidated Fund and of the National Loans Fund at the beginning and the end of the year; and the contingent liabilities of the Consolidated Fund [by Act]; to be printed [No. 45].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous No. 27, 1980),—Copy of a Convention, opened for signature at Vienna and New York on 3rd March 1980, on the physical protection of nuclear material (the United Kingdom has not ratified the Convention) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8112].

European Communities (No. 52, 1980),—Copy of a Co-operation Agreement, signed at Belgrade on 2nd April 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (with Final Act) and an Agreement, signed at Belgrade on 2nd April 1980, between the member states of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (with Final Act) (the Agreements are not in force) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8088].

Finland (No. 1, 1980),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at London on 21st March 1980, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Finland amending the Convention on social security signed at London on 12th December 1978 (the Protocol is not in force) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8113].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Law Commissions,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Law Commission for the year ended 15th June 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 17].

Mr. Secretary Pym:

Defence,—Copy of the United States Mutual Defence Assistance Programme Equipment Disposal Deposit Account for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8110].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Local Government,—Copies of Orders, dated 11th December 1980, entitled—
(1) the Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1980,
(2) the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (No. 2) Order 1980, and
(3) the Rate Support Grant (Principles for Multipliers) Order 1980 [by Act].

Local Government,—Copies of Reports by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the Minister of Transport on—
(1) the Rate Support Grant (England) 1980,
(2) the Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1980, and
(3) the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (No. 2) Order 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 56 to 58].

Town and Country Planning,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th June 1980, entitled the Surrey County Council (Hog's Back, Puttenham) Appropriation Order (No. 2) 1980; 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 Edwards:

Local Government,—Copy of a Report by the Secretary of State for Wales on the Rate Support Grant (Wales) 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 52].

Local Government,—Copy of local government financial statistics for Wales for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


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 Protection) Act 1945, that no Petition has been presented against the Fylde Borough Council (St. Albans Road, St. Annes) (Appropriation) Order 1980 [by Act].

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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Lord Privy Seal on the Petition [12th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament] from citizens of the United Kingdom praying that this House do urge the Foreign Secretary to raise the matter of alleged violations of human rights in Eritrea at the United Nations [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Education and Science on the Petition [28th November] from residents of the London Borough of Brent praying for the rejection of proposals to close Leopold Primary School [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Wednesday, 17th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

Bearsden and Milngavie District Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Bearsden and Milngavie District Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Cumnock and Doon Valley District Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill,—The Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Peterhead Harbours Order Confirmation Bill,—The Peterhead Harbours Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36-v].

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 87].

European Legislation, &c,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c, 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. 32-v].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-v].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Donald Dewar reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them between 29th October and 10th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament and on 25th November: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 88].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 88].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-iv].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-iv].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Michael English reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980, referred to a Committee on 28th November.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 86].

Adjournment (Christmas).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House at its rising on Friday do adjourn till Monday 12th January—(Mr. John Wakeham);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out the word "Friday" and insert the words "Wednesday 24th December", instead thereof.—(Mr. John Silkin.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. James Tinn: 219.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Tony Newton: 276.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House at its rising on Friday do adjourn till Monday 12th January.

Business of the House,—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.—(Mr. John MacGregor.)

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:—Debate arising;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 18th December, 1980:

Mr. Michael Jopling 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 Boscawen, Mr. Tony Newton: 131.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. John Maxton: 17.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

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

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Issue out of the Consolidated Fund for the year ending 31st March 1981).
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Carol Mather and Mr. Robert Boscawen were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, the Deputy Chairman declared that the Ayes had it.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Issue out of the Consolidated Fund for the year ending 31st March 1982).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Carol Mather and Mr. Robert Boscawen were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, the Deputy Chairman declared that the Ayes had it.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Short title).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 116.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Dennis Canavan : 8.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Tony Newton 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.

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

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 twenty-eight minutes to Eleven o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 10.32 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Wednesday 17th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:
Tithes.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Tithe Records (Transfer of Custody) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Immigration.—Copy of a Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules [by Act]; to be printed [No. 84].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Paul Steven Brown.—Copy of a Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the case of Paul Steven Brown [by Command] [Cmnd. 8107].
Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons.—Copy of the Report of the Secretaries of State for Social Services, Scotland and Wales on research and development work on equipment for the disabled in 1979 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 64].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Meat and Livestock Commission for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

[No. 21.]

Thursday, 18th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

- Allied Irish Banks.
- Barnsley Borough Council.
- British Railways (No. 2).
- British Railways (Pension Schemes).
- British Railways (Victoria).
- British Transport Docks.
- Charterhouse Japhet.
- County of Avon.
- Cumbria.
- Greater London Council (General Powers).
- Great Yarmouth Borough Council.
- Lloyd's.
- Lloyds Bank.
- London Transport.
- Milford Docks.
- Northumbrian Water Authority.
- Peterborough Development Corporation.
- Preston Borough Council.
- St John College.
- United Reformed Church.
- United Reformed Church (Slough).
- Wallerawang Colleries, Limited.
- Whitehaven Harbour.
- Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 13th January.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 13th January.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 15th January.

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

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 18th December.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 89].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund 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 Act agreed upon by both Houses:

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act 1980.
Criminal Attempts Bill.—Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, supported by Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. Leon Brittan, presented a Bill to amend the law of England and Wales as to attempts to commit offences and as to conspiring to commit offences which, in the circumstances, cannot be committed; to repeal the provisions of section 4 of the Vagrancy Act 1824 which apply to suspected persons and reputed thieves; to make provision against unauthorised interference with vehicles in public places; 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 21].

Armed Forces Bill.—Mr. Secretary Pym, supported by Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Keith Speed, Mr. Barney Hayhoe, and Mr. Geoffrey Pattie, presented a Bill to continue the Army Act 1955, the Air Force Act 1955 and the Naval Discipline Act 1957; to amend those Acts and other enactments relating to the armed forces; to confer new powers for the temporary detention abroad of servicemen or civilians subject to those Acts suffering from mental disorder or the children of service and certain civilian families in need of care or control; to complete the assimilation for statutory purposes of the women's services with the rest of the armed forces; to amend the Patents Act 1977 in relation to inventions by members of the armed forces; to abolish the office of Accountant General of the Navy; to make further provision in relation to the naval prize cash balance; 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 19].

Insurance Companies Bill.—Mr. Secretary Nott, supported by Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Secretary Atkins, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Norman Fowler, and Mr. Reginald Eyre, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to insurance companies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 22].

Supply [3rd allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Developments in the European Community.—Resolved, That this House takes note of the Report on Developments in the European Community, January-June 1980 (Cmnd. 8042).—(Mr. John Wakeham.)

Housing (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Housing (Percentage of Approved Expense for Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 21st November, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Representation of the People.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Elections (Welsh Forms) (No. 2) Regulations 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 26th November, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Customs and Excise.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1800), a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Customs and Excise.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1867), a copy of which was laid before this House on 4th December, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Agriculture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Hill Livestock (Compensatory Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations 1980, which were laid before this House on 2nd December, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Building Societies.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Building Societies (Special Advances) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 21st November, be approved.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Public Accounts.—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 4th July 1979 relating to the nomination of the Committee of Public Accounts be amended, by leaving out Sir Timothy Kitson and inserting Mr. Nick Budgen.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)
**Adjournment.**—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

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.]

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**APPENDIX**

**Thursday 18th December 1980**

**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 December 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8114].

**Mr. Nigel Lawson:**

Acquisition of Land.—Copies of Regulations, dated 15th December 1980, entitled—

1. the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1944), and
2. the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1945)

[by Act].

Coal Industry.—Copy of an Order, dated 16th December 1980, entitled the Open cast Coal (Rate of Interest on Compensation) (No. 3) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1978) [by Act].

National Debt.—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th December 1980, entitled the Savings Certificates (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1986) [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Younger:**

Food and Drugs.—Copies of Regulations, dated 4th December 1980, entitled—

1. the Antioxidants in Food (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1886),
2. the Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food (Scotland) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1888),
3. the Miscellaneous Additives in Food (Scotland) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1889), and
4. the Solvents in Food (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1887)

[by Act].

Local Government (Scotland).—Copy of an Order, dated 17th December 1980, entitled the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1980 [by Act].

Local Government (Scotland).—Copy of a Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland on the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 63].

Pensions.—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st December 1980, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1885) [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Jenkin:**

National Health Service.—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th December 1980, entitled the National Health Service (Vocational Training) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I.), 1980, No. 1900) [by Act].

Social Security.—Copies of Regulations, dated—

1. 15th December 1980, entitled the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1943), and

[by Act].

Social Security.—Copy of the Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1943), preceded by a statement by the Secretary of State for Social Services [by Act]; to be printed [No. 76].

**Mr. Secretary Nott:**

Companies.—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1980, entitled the Companies (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1980) [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Edwards:**

Roads.—Copy of the Report on roads in Wales for 1980 [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture.—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1980, entitled the Suckler Cow Premium (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1979) [by Act].

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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petition [5th December] from citizens of the United Kingdom praying for the introduction of a blindness allowance [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Consolidated Fund and National Loans Fund.—Accounts showing payments into and out of the Consolidated Fund and the National Loans Fund in the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 44].

Supreme Court (Accounts).—Copy of the Account of the High Court and Court of Appeal for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 68].

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 18th December 1980

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. John Wells Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Sheep Variable Premium (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980.

[No. 22.]

Friday, 19th December, 1980.

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

PRAYERS.

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

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

And it being Eleven o’clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5 (Friday sittings).

Adjournment.—The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Procedure (Supply).—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine the procedure of the House for considering and voting on the Government’s requests for Supply, and to make recommendations.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

Ordered, That Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne, Mr. John Cartwright, Mr. Peter Emery, Mr. Michael English, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. Terence L. Higgins, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Kenneth Lewis, Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. J. Enoch Powell, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Fred Silvester, Mr. Roger Sims, and Mr. Peter Thomas, be members of the Committee.

Ordered, That Six 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 persons with technical knowledge either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee’s order of reference.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)
Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday 12th January, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 17th December.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 19th December 1980

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Customs and Excise,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th December 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (ECSC) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1999) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

International Labour Conference,—Copy of a Statement of proposed action by Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom on two Conventions and two Recommendations adopted at the 65th Session (1979) of the International Labour Conference and a Convention adopted at the 55th (Maritime) Session (1970) of the International Labour Conference [by Command] [Cmd. 8118].

Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Shipbuilding Industry Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Nott:

British Airways,—Statement of determination of the pension of a former Deputy Chairman of the British Airways Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th December 1980, entitled the Manchester and Trafford (Areas) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1920) [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Sea Fisheries,—Copies of—

(2) an Order, dated 19th December 1980, entitled the Immature Sea Fish (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1995),
(3) an Order, dated 19th December 1980, entitled the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1996), and

[by Act].

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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Lord Privy Seal on the Petition [5th December] from residents of Brighton praying for amendment of the European Communities Act 1972 [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Northern Ireland,—Copy of the Northern Ireland Appropriation Accounts 1979-80, together with the Consolidated Fund Services Account; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Revenue Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 45].

Supreme Court of Judicature,—Copy of Rules, dated 18th December 1980, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment No. 4) 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2000) [by Act].
Monday, 12th January, 1981.

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).

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Fisheries Bill,—The Fisheries 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).

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

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to establish a Sea Fish Industry Authority with the duty of promoting the efficiency of the sea fish industry in the United Kingdom, to provide financial assistance for that industry, to amend the law relating to the regulation of sea fishing and to make new provision in relation to fish farming, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any sums required by any Minister or Ministers—

(a) for making payments to or in respect of members of that Authority and former members of the bodies replaced by it ;

(b) for making loans to the Authority ;

(c) for making payments pursuant to schemes of financial assistance for that industry or for fish farming ;

(d) for carrying out research and development and providing advice and instruction in matters relating to fish farming ;

(e) for administrative expenses ;

(2) payments into the Consolidated Fund.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas 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 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:

Public Accounts,—Copy of a Treasury Minute on the Fifteenth to Thirty-fifth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1979-80, with the Table of Contents of all Treasury Minutes on Reports during the Session [Cmnd. 8125].

Criminal Procedure,—Copy of a Report of the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure [Cmnd. 8092 and 8092-II].

Plants (Miscellaneous No. 1, 1981).—Copy of the Revised Text of the International Plant Protection Convention, signed at Rome on 6th December 1951 (the Revised text has not been accepted by the United Kingdom) [Cmnd. 8108].

Treaty Series (No. 1, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Luxembourg on 19th June 1978, amending the Annex to the Statute of the European School laying down the Regulations for the European Baccalauréate [Cmnd. 8083].


Defence,—Copy of Government Observations on the Third Report from the Defence Committee, Session 1979-80, on the D Notice system [Cmnd. 8129].
Defence (Territorial and Auxiliary Forces).—Copy of a Statement showing the financial position of Territorial, Auxiliary and Volunteer Reserve Associations on 31st March 1980.

Mersey Docks and Harbour Company.—Copy of a Minute, dated 7th January 1981, on undertakings to Lloyds Bank Limited in respect of the borrowing facility of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company [Cmnd. 8126].

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceeding Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments) and ordered to lie upon the Table:

22nd December 1980

Health and Safety.—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th December 1980, entitled the Sherburn No. 2 Mine (Diesel Vehicles) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1891) [by Act].

23rd December 1980

Medicines.—Copy of an Order, dated 8th December 1980, entitled the Medicines (Sale or Supply) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1923) [by Act].

National Health Service.—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th December 1980, entitled the National Health Service (Superannuation) (War Service, etc.) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1949) [by Act].

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd December 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2009) [by Act].


Food and Drugs.—Copies of Orders, dated 19th December 1980, entitled—
(1) the Milk (Great Britain) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2022), and
(2) the Milk (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) Order 1980. (S.I., 1980, No. 2023) [by Act].

29th December 1980

Medicines.—Copy of an Order, dated 8th December 1980, entitled the Medicines (Pharmacy and General Sale—Exemption) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1924) [by Act].

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd December 1980, entitled the Customs Duties (ECSC) (Quota and Other Reliefs) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2032) [by Act].


31st December 1980


5th January 1981

6th January 1981

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th December 1980, entitled the Dock Waters (Regulation of Employment) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1940) [by Act].

Pensions,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 16th December 1980, entitled the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Amendment (No. 3) Scheme 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1950) [by Act].

Legal Profession,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 17th December 1980, entitled the European Communities (Services of Lawyers) (Amendment) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1964) [by Act].

Pensions,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 17th December 1980, entitled the Naval Military and Air Forces etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Amendment (No. 3) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1955) [by Act].

7th January 1981

Sports Grounds,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd December 1980, entitled the Sports Grounds and Sporting Events (Designation) (Scotland) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2030) [by Act].

9th January 1981

Medicines,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th December 1980, entitled the Medicines (Prescription Only) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1921) [by Act].

Weights and Measures,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th December 1980, entitled the Measuring Equipment (Liquid Fuel delivered from Road Tankers) (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1993) [by Act].


Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 12th January 1981:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Housing (Scotland),—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1981,
(2) the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation Order 1981, and
(3) the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation (No. 2) Order 1981 [by Act].

Housing (Scotland),—Copies of Reports by the Secretary of State for Scotland on—
(1) the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1981,
(2) the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation Order 1981, and
(3) the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation (No. 2) Order 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 93, 91 and 92].

Law Commissions,—Statement of determination of the pension, allowance or gratuity of a Scottish Law Commissioner [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Population Censuses and Surveys,—Copy of the Review of the Registrar General on deaths by cause, sex and age in England and Wales for 1979 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Trade,—Return in part to an Address to Her Majesty of 6th December 1979 for a Return of Statistics relating to overseas trade for each month during 1980, for November.

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 17th December 1980, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Certification of Deck Officers) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2026), and
(2) 23rd December 1980, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Certification of Marine Engineer Officers) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2025) [by Act].
Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

British Aerospace,—Copy of a Memorandum of Understanding between British Aerospace Limited and the Secretary of State for Industry [by Command].

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1978 on the construction industry [by Act].

Post Office,—Statement of appointment and determination of the salaries of members of the Post Office [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Rating and Valuation,—Copies of Orders, dated 19th December 1980, entitled—

(1) the Rating Surcharge (Suspension) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2015), and
(2) the Unoccupied Property Rate (Variation of Current Ceiling) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2012)
[by Act].


Mr. Secretary Howell:

Nuclear Industry (Finance),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Energy with the consent of the Treasury on 22nd December 1980 on a loan raised by British Nuclear Fuels Limited [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:

Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 17th December 1980, entitled—

(1) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pay and Allowances) (No. 2) Order 1980,
(2) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pay and Allowances) (No. 3) Order 1980, and
(3) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pensions Increase) (No. 2) Order 1980
[by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. David Mitchell (nominated in respect of the Industry Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. John MacGregor.

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Adam Butler and Mr. David Woddington (nominated in respect of the British Telecommunications Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Kenneth Baker and Mr. John Blackburn.

Northern Ireland Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Northern Ireland Committee Mr. Philip Goodhart (nominated in respect of the matter of the Proposal to establish an Enterprise Zone in Belfast); and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Mitchell.

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Tuesday, 13th January, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday.
British Railways Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 13th January and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-viii].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-ix].

Foreign Affairs.—Mr. Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 13th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 26-iii].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Fourth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-iv].

British Nationality Bill.—Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, supported by Sir Ian Gilmour, Mr. Timothy Raison, and Mr. Richard Luce, presented a Bill to make fresh provision about citizenship and nationality and to amend the Immigration Act 1971 as regards the right of abode in the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 20].

St. Lucia and Dominica (Independence Gifts).—Ordered, That Mr. Joe Dean and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton have leave of absence to present on behalf of this House a gift of a clock and gavel set to the Parliament of St. Lucia and a gift of a Speaker’s Chair to the House of Assembly of Dominica.——(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Transport Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Transport 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 312.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Joe Dean: 235.

So the Question 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, at this day’s sitting, the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

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

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to the disposal by the British Railways Board of part of their undertaking; to provide for the reconstitution of the British Transport Docks Board and the dissolution of the National Ports Council; and to make further provision for promoting road safety, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) expenses incurred by the Minister of Transport in connection with the dissolution of the National Ports Council, so far as those expenses do not exceed by more than £1.5 million the sums received by the Minister by virtue of the vesting in him of the assets of the Council; and

(b) any administrative expenses incurred by any government department in consequence of the provisions of that Act;
(2) the extinguishment of the liabilities of the British Transport Docks Board to the Minister in respect of—
   (a) the Board's commencing capital debt; and
   (b) loans made to the Board by the Minister;

(3) the payment of any sums into the National Loans Fund or the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Ways and Means.—Transport.—Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the levying from harbour authorities of such contributions as appear to the Minister of Transport necessary to meet the expenses incurred by him in connection with the winding up of the National Ports Council so far as those expenses exceed by more than £1.5 million the sums received by the Minister by virtue of the vesting in him of the assets of the Council.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Road Traffic.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1734), dated 14th November 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled.—(Mr. Albert Booth);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Ronald Leighton : 73.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Tony Newton : 118.

So the Question was negatived.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 14th January, 1981:

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

Tuesday 13th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriations in Aid.—Treasury Minute, dated 13th January 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Vote for services related to crime, treatment of offenders, community and miscellaneous services (Home Office) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries.—Copies of Orders, dated 3rd January 1981, entitled—
(1) the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 2), and
(2) the Gaming (Small Charges) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

New Towns.—Copies of the Reports of—
(1) the Aycliffe, Basildon, Bracknell, Central Lancashire New Town, Corby, Harlow, Milton Keynes, Northampton, Peterborough, Peterlee, Redditch, Runcorn, Skelmersdale, Stevenage, Telford, Warrington and Washington Development Corporations, and
(2) the Commission for the New Towns, relating to Crawley, Hatfield, Hemel Hempstead and Welwyn Garden City
for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 12 and 13].
Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Northern Ireland,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—
(1) the Public Order (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, and
(2) the Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981
[by Act].


Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th December 1980, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Agriculture,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Eggs Authority for the year ended 31st March 1980 [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 Fowey Harbour Revision Order 1980,
(2) the Sullom Voe Harbour Revision Order 1980, and
(3) the Surrey County Council (Hog's Back, Puttenham) Appropriation Order (No. 2) 1980
[by Act].

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

Family Provision,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Family Provision (Intestate Succession) Order 1981 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 13th January 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Fisheries Bill to Standing Committee I.

[No. 25.]

Wednesday, 14th January, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 14th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 1014].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-vi].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-vi].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
Selection (Standing Committees).—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had come to a further Resolution, as follows:

That their Resolution of 26th November should be amended at the end by adding the words, “or has acquired other duties, or ceased to hold or changed such duties.”

Report to lie upon the Table.

Social Services.—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 14th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-v].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. John Wells reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Sheep Variable Premiums (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1811), referred to a Committee on 9th December.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 100].

Indecent Displays (Control) Bill.—Mr. Tim Sainsbury, supported by Mr. Ernest Armstrong, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. Ron Lewis, Dr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. R. C. Mitchell, Mr. Christopher Murphy, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. Nicholas Scott, and Mr. Donald Stewart, presented a Bill to make fresh provision with respect to the public display of indecent matter; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 30th January and to be printed [Bill 23].

Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.—Mr. Donald Stewart, supported by Mr. Russell Johnston, Mr. Gordon Wilson, Mr. Dafydd Wigley, Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. Iain Campbell, and Mr. James White, presented a Bill to provide that Gaelic speaking areas shall be defined as areas under the Highland Region, the Western Isles Islands Council, Argyllshire and Inner Hebrides, and Perthshire, and that local authorities in such areas provide education in Gaelic; that the legal status of Gaelic shall cover the absolute right of persons to speak Gaelic in legal proceedings in Scotland, and the right to a Gaelic version of certain official forms and documents subject to ministerial order; and that a Gaelic Broadcasting Committee shall be set up to co-ordinate and develop Gaelic television and radio; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 13th February and to be printed [Bill 24].

Freedom of Information Bill.—Mr. Frank Hooley, supported by Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. J. W. Rooker, Mr. Michael Meacher, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Michael Shersby, Mr. Richard Wainwright, Mr. Dafydd Wigley, and Mr. Andrew Bowden, presented a Bill to create a public right of access to official information; to make new provision for the protection of official information and articles; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th February and to be printed [Bill 25].

Shops Bill.—Sir Anthony Meyer, supported by Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. John Horam, and Mr. John Major, presented a Bill to permit local authorities to provide exemptions from requirements on shops to be closed for the serving of customers at certain times on weekdays and on Sundays; to rationalise and extend the transactions for the purposes for which shops may be open during the hours when most shops must be closed; to provide further protection for persons who are employed in shops; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 20th February and to be printed [Bill 26].

Horse Racing Betting Levy Bill.—Mr. Charles Morrison, supported by Mr. Edward du Cann, Mr. John Peyton, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. W. R. Rees-Davis, Mr. Eldon Griffiths, Mr. Archie Hamilton, and Mr. Nicholas Winterton, presented a Bill to make provision for and in connection with the making of payments on account of the levy payable under section 27 of the Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963 by bookmakers to the Horserace Betting Levy Board; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 27].

Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill.—Mr. John Blackburn presented a Bill to regulate by licence the conduct of zoos: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 28].

Safety of Children in Cars Bill.—Mr. Barry Sheerman presented a Bill to reduce the number of children killed and injured in motor cars by prohibiting children under thirteen from travelling in the front seats of motor cars unless properly fitted and suitable restraints
are used by the child; by requiring the compulsory use of properly fitted and suitable restraint systems for all children travelling in motor cars; and to further provide for the compulsory fitting of rear seat belts in all new cars, and the abolition of value-added tax on child restraint systems; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 13th February and to be printed [Bill 29].

Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill.—Mr. Nigel Spearing, supported by Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Michael Welsh, Dr. M. S. Miller, and Mr. Dafydd Wigley, presented a Bill to make further provision for regulations concerning the notification and certification of death and for the recording of information relating to industrial disease; and matters related thereto; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 30th January and to be printed [Bill 30].

Countryside (Scotland) Bill.—Mr. Peter Fraser, supported by Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. John Home Robertson, and Mr. Michael Ancram, presented a Bill to make further provision for the better enjoyment of the Scottish countryside and as respects the Countryside Commission for Scotland; to amend the Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967; and for connected purposes: And the same was the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 20th February and to be printed [Bill 31].

Disabled Persons Bill.—Mr. Dafydd Wigley, supported by Mr. Jack Ashley, Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. John Hannam, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. Alfred Morris, Sir David Price, Mr. Dafydd Thomas, and Mr. Gordon Wilson, presented a Bill to make further provision for the welfare of chronically sick and disabled persons; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 13th February and to be printed [Bill 32].

Development of Tourism (Scotland) Bill.—Mr. Gordon Wilson, supported by Mr. Russell Johnston, Mr. John Home Robertson, and Mr. Donald Stewart, presented a Bill to amend the Development of Tourism Act 1969 to empower the Scottish Tourist Board to carry on activities outside the United Kingdom so as to encourage people to visit Scotland; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 33].

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Geoffrey Rippon, supported by Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. Richard Page, and Mr. James Hill, presented a Bill to amend the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Act 1977 by unvesting securities which vested in British Aerospace or British Shipbuilders pursuant to section 19 of that Act to be valued, in certain circumstances, on an open market basis; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 30th January and to be printed [Bill 34].

Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill.—Mr. Robert Banks, supported by Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. Neville Trotter, Mr. Nigel Forman, and Mr. James Hill, presented a Bill to abolish the functions of compensation authorities under the Licensing Act 1964 and to use the assets remaining in the compensation funds managed by those authorities for education about and research into the misuse of alcohol and for other purposes; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 13th February and to be printed [Bill 35].

Control of Disconnections Bill.—Mr. John Cartwright, supported by Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Frank Dobson, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. J. W. Rooker, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. James Wellbeloved, and Mr. David Winnick, presented a Bill to remove from electricity boards and the British Gas Corporation the power to disconnect the supply or to withhold the supply of electricity or gas from domestic consumers save with the leave of the court: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 13th February and to be printed [Bill 36].

Landlord and Tenant Bill.—Sir Donald Kaberry, supported by Sir Graham Page, Mr. John Spence, Mr. Leo Abse, Sir Walter Clegg, and Mr. Gary Waller, presented a Bill to amend Part II of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 30th January and to be printed [Bill 37].

Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill.—Mr. John Page, supported by Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Richard Page, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. Graham Bright, and Mr. Keith Wickenden, presented a Bill to promote the expansion of small and medium sized businesses by making provision for the appointment under the Secretary of State of a Minister of State with functions in respect of such businesses and by amending certain enactments relating to the Development Commission; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th February and to be printed [Bill 38].
Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Stephen Hastings presented a Bill to provide for control over listed buildings and for the enforcement of planning control and control of listed buildings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 30th January and to be printed [Bill 52].

Homeworkers (Protection) Bill.—Mr. Frank R. White, supported by Mr. Jim Marshall, Mr. Jack Ashley, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Mr. Neil Carmichael, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Don Dixon, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Jim Craigen, Mr. Robert C. Brown, and Mr. James Johnson, presented a Bill to amend the law to provide for the further protection of homeworkers and for the better enforcement of the law as so amended; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 41].

Football Crowds (Control) Bill.—Mr. William Whitlock, supported by Mr. Jack Dunnett, Mr. John Farr, and Mr. Tom Bradley, presented a Bill to make further provision for the control of spectators at association football matches; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 20th February and to be printed (Bill 42).

Privilege.—Complaint having been made by Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Member for Workington, of a conversation concerning British Steel Corporation policy towards Workington that took place in the offices of the Corporation on Thursday 18th December 1980 between Mr. Ian MacGregor and the honourable Member for Workington; Ordered, That the matter of the complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges —(Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours.)

Local Government.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Rate Support Grant Report (England) 1980 (H.C., 1980-81, No. 50), a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Heseltine);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 304.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 240.
So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant Report (England) 1980 (H.C., 1980-81, No. 50), a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.

Local Government.—Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Heseltine.)

Local Government.—Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (No. 2) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Heseltine.)

Local Government.—Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Principles for Multipliers) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Heseltine).

Local Government.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Welsh Rate Support Grant Report 1980 (H.C., 1980-81, No. 52), a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Edwards);
And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning; Thursday, 15th January, 1981:

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).
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke: 287.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Tinn: 221.
So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Welsh Rate Support Grant Report 1980 (H.C., 1980-81, No. 52), a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th December, be approved.

Privileges.—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 27th June 1979 relating to the nomination of the Committee of Privileges be amended, by leaving out Mr. Michael Foot and Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas and inserting Mr. Francis Pym and Mr. John Silkin.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)
House of Commons (Services),—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 15th June 1979 relating to the nomination of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) be amended, by leaving out Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas and Mr. Phillip Whitehead and inserting Mr. Francis Pym and Mr. John Silkin.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 1.31 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 14th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Turkey,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 14th January 1981, concerning the gift of military equipment to the Government of Turkey [by Command] [Cmnd. 8131].

Duchy of Lancaster,—Copy of the Account of the Duchy of Lancaster for the year ended 29th September 1980; with a separate Account of the capital of the said Duchy to the same date [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Representation of the People,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates’ Election Expenses) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Provisional Orders (Scotland),—Copy of a Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under section 1 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, on a representation by the United Reformed Church [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Roger Stott (nominated in respect of the British Telecommunications Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ken Weetch.

Standing Committee D,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Fisheries Bill, viz.: Mr. Robert Boscauen, Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, Sir Walter Clegg, Mr. John Corrie, Mr. Grimond, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Raymond Powell, Mr. Iain Sproat, Mr. Gavin Strang, and Mr. Jerry Wiggin.

Standing Committee E,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Twenty-four Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Transport Bill, viz.: Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Albert Booth, Mr. Michael Brown, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Harry Cowans, Mr. Frank Dobson, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. Roger Moate, Mr. Matthew Parris, Mr. Robert Parry, Mr. Barry Porter, Mr. John Prescott, Mr. Geoffrey Robinson, Mr. William Ross, Mr. Barry Sheerman, Mr. Martin Stevens, Mr. Roger Stott, Mr. Cyril D. Townsend, and Mr. Gary Waller.

Northern Ireland Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Northern Ireland Committee Mr. Alastair Goodlad (nominated in respect of the matter of the Proposal to establish an Enterprise Zone in Belfast); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Denishore Dover.

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Transport Bill to Standing Committee E.
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Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 22nd January.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday 19th January at Seven o'clock.

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

Industry Bill,—Mr. Michael Shaw reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Industry Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 43]. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 102].

Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 13th February, the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

Supply [4th allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Economic and Monetarist Policies of Her Majesty's Government,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, gravely alarmed by the continuing decline in output, employment and investment in British industry, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to abandon its disastrous economic and monetarist policies, which are impoverishing and dividing the nation—(Mr. Peter Shore);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House, while recognising the severity of present economic difficulties, endorses the priority given by the Government to mastering inflation and improving competitiveness, and calls on the Government to maintain its present policies for economic recovery, which alone offer the prospect of a lasting reduction in unemployment", instead thereof. (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 244.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Anthony Berry: 304.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, while recognising the severity of present economic difficulties, endorses the priority given by the Government to mastering inflation and improving competitiveness, and calls on the Government to maintain its present policies for economic recovery, which alone offer the prospect of a lasting reduction in unemployment.

The Steel Industry,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents No. 10180/80 on Production Quotas for Steel and Nos. 10179/80 and 10879/80 on Social Measures for the Steel Industry—(Mr. Norman Tebbit);
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 this House takes note of European Community Documents No. 10180/80 on Production Quotas for Steel and Nos. 10179/80 and 10879/80 on Social Measures for the Steel Industry.

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. John Cope); And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday 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 thirteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.13 a.m.

APPENDIX

Thursday 15th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Agriculture,—Copy of the Accounts of the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce for 1979; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1980 [No. 96].

Appropriation Accounts,—Copy of—

(1) Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Defence and Civil Services (Classes IIID), and

(2) Operating and Production Accounts of Her Majesty's Dockyards and other establishments,

for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and on certain Store Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 96].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 2, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 30th September 1980, relating to Article 9 of the Supplementary Protocol to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic [by Command] [Cmnd. 8124].

Sweden (No. 1, 1981).—Copy of a Convention, signed at Stockholm on 8th October 1980, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on estates of deceased persons and inheritances and on gifts (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8122].


Mr. Secretary Younger:


Mr. Secretary Nott:


Mr. Secretary Prior:

Trade Unions,—Copy of a Paper on trade union immunities [by Command] [Cmnd. 8128].

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Mr. Secretary Howell:

Mr. Peter Walker:

The Chairman of Ways and Means:
Statutory Orders (Special Procedure).—Report by the Chairman of Committees in 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 they had taken into consideration the Petitions presented against the M25 Motorway (Leatherhead Interchange Section) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. CSE 7) 1980, and that they had determined that the following Petitioners have no locus standi in the matter and that their Petitions were not proper to be received—
(1) Mr. Reginald Philip Mayes, and
(2) Mr. Reginald Philip Mayes, Mr. Derek Walter Branch and Mr. Kenneth George Clowser
[by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Public Petitions.—Observations by the Home Secretary on the Petition [15th December] from citizens of the United Kingdom for support for research into techniques to render unnecessary the use of living animals for scientific research [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Agriculture.—Copy of the Account of the Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1980 [No. 96].

Forestry.—Copy of the Forestry Fund (Grant in Aid) Account for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1980 [No. 96].

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. James Lamond Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Fisheries Bill; and Mr. R. Bonner Pink Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Transport Bill.

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

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

Companies Bill.—Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, supported by Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Robert Edwards, Mr. Peter Emery, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. Tom Normanton, Mr. Tim Rathbone, Mr. Cyril Smith, and Mr. Mark Wolfson, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to the election and responsibilities of directors of companies; to require the circulation of particulars of candidates to the members and the consideration of the appointment of non-executive directors before any election of directors; to make new provision in regard to the amendment of memoranda and articles of association of companies; and to make other changes in the law relating to public quoted companies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 44].
Small Firms Expansion (Inquiry) Bill.—Mr. John Loveridge, supported by Mr. Richard Page, Mr. Graham Bright, Mr. Michael Colvin, Mr. Michael Shersby, and Mr. Michael Grylls, presented a Bill to appoint a committee of inquiry to examine how the small business sector can create a large number of new jobs: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 45].

Access Bill.—Mr. Dafydd Wigley presented a Bill to make further provision to secure the ease of access for disabled persons to and within public buildings; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 35].

Powers of Select Committees.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House congratulates the Government on its initiative in setting up the new Select Committee system; considers that the new Committees have already achieved more efficient parliamentary scrutiny of government policy, administration and expenditure, greater parliamentary and public awareness of the various facts, options and decisions at issue, and to this extent, more effective government decision-taking; takes note, however, of Chapter 7 of the Report of the Select Committee on Procedure, Session 1977-78, and in particular of the statement in paragraph 7.27 ‘we do believe . . . that a more effective last resort should be available to Committees who find their efforts to obtain the information which is necessary to their work unreasonably hampered or restricted’; notes that there have already been occasions on which Committees have been denied papers and records; and orders that the Standing Orders of the House be amended as follows, to take account of the recommendations of the Procedure Committee:

That—

(1) If a Minister of the Crown, being the head of a Department of State, having received a request from a Select Committee to produce within a stated period papers or records relevant to matters within the Committee’s orders of reference, does not comply with the request, or the Committee have ascertained, in the case of a Minister who is not the head of a Department of State, that a Minister who is a head of a Department of State has approved of non-compliance with the request, and the Committee thereupon make a Special Report to the House, the Chairman of the Committee may give notice of a motion for an humble Address or for an Order for a Return of the said papers or records.

(2) If the aforesaid motion is not disposed of by the sixth day on which the House sits thereafter, it shall have precedence of public business on the next sitting day.

(3) Mr Speaker shall put any Questions to dispose of the proceedings on the motion not later than one hour after the commencement thereof.

That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.

That Standing Order No. 6 (Precedence of government business) be amended as follows:

Line 1, at end insert "and in Standing Order (Powers of Select Committees)"—(Mr. Christopher Price);

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

Scottish Affairs.—Ordered, That Mr. Norman Buchan, Mr. Donald Dewar and Mr. Martin O’Neill be discharged from the Committee on Scottish Affairs and Mr. David Lambie, Mr. David Marshall and Mr. John Maxton be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Industry and Trade.—Ordered, That Mr. Donald Thompson be discharged from the Industry and Trade Committee and Mr. James Hill be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

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

[Adjourned at 2.55 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 16th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 20th, 21st, 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th November 1980, and

(2) 28th November, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 8th December 1980

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].
Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 12th December 1980 on a loan raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Crown Agents,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 9th January 1981 on loans raised by the Crown Agents for Overseas Governments and Administrations [by Act].

Iron and Steel,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 18th December 1980 on loans raised by British Steel Corporation [by Act].

Taxes Management,—Copies of Treasury Warrants appointing—
   (1) John Gaywood Lewis, and
   (2) Brian Murrough Fergus O'Brien
as Commissioners for the special purposes of the Income Tax Acts [by Act].

Transport,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 17th December 1980 on a loan raised by the British Railways Board [by Act].

Water,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
   (1) 11th December 1980,
   (2) 11th December 1980, and
   (3) 7th January 1981
on loans raised by the National Water Council [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industrial Organisation and Development,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Wool Industry Research Association for the year ended 30th September 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th January 1981, entitled the Public Bodies' Land (Appropriate Ministers) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 15) [by Act].

[No. 28.]


PRAYERS.

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

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 19th January.

   Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 106-i].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 19th January.

   Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 39-iii].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report Memoranda laid before them.

   Memoranda to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 104].

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

   The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision as to the privileges and immunities to be accorded in respect of certain international organisations and in respect of persons connected with such organisations and other persons ; and for purposes connected therewith ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [International Organisations Bill [Lords]].

International Organisations Bill [Lords],—The International Organisations Bill [Lords] was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 47].
British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop presented a Bill to transfer from the the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Parliament of Canada the function of tendering to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty advice and consent in respect of any Bills amending the provisions of the British North America Act 1867, and amendments thereto in subsequent Acts: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time upon 27th February and to be printed [Bill 46].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Criminal Attempts Bill.—The Criminal Attempts Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Special Standing Committee,—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords];

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

And notice having been taken that Strangers were present, Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 115 (Withdrawal of Strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That Strangers do withdraw.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas McNally, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 28.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. John Wakeham: 114.

So the Question was negatived.

And it being after Ten o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded to interrupt the business:—Whereupon Mr. Fred Silvester 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. Tom Arnold, Mr. Robert Atkins: 118.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Jim Callaghan: 34.

So the Question 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.

Local Government (Scotland).—Resolved, That the Local Authority Grants (Termination) (Scotland) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 11th December, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland andHay and Company (Lerwick) Limited and John Fleming and Company Limited, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and Glenlight Shipping Limited and Clyde Shipping Company Limited, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and Shetland Line Limited and Melton Securities Limited, which was laid before this House on 5th December, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)

Agriculture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Sheep Variable Premium (Protection of Payments) (No. 2) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1811), a copy of which was laid before this House on 28th November, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.
Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. John Wakeham);

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 this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes past Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.3 a.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 19th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Foreign Affairs,—Copy of Government Observations on the Fourth Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, Session 1979-80, on development divisions [by Command] [Cmnd. 8130].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Protection of Aircraft,—Report by the Secretary of State for Trade of the numbers of notices served and directions given by him under the Protection of Aircraft Act 1973 during 1980 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Northern Ireland (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Mr. Francis Pym:


[No. 29].

Tuesday, 20th January, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—A Motion being made, That the London Transport (No. 2) Bill 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.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday.
Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Sixth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-x].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Fifth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-v].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-i].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 107-i].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

European Assembly Elections Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the European Assembly Elections Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of Schedule 2 to the European Assembly Elections Act 1978).

Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 3, line 7, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) In paragraph 5(2)(b) of that Schedule, the words 'one month' shall be omitted and replaced by the words 'two months'".—(Dr. Edmund Marshall.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Austin Mitchell: 233.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 298.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 3, line 7, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) After paragraph 10 of that Schedule there shall be inserted a new paragraph—

'10A. In making recommendations for any Assembly constituency, a Boundary Commission shall have regard to the community of interest within that constituency and to county boundaries so far as is compatible with the provision of the last foregoing paragraph'".—(Mr. George Cunningham.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. George Morton: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 300.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the European Assembly Elections Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Anthony Berry: 295.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ron Leighton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 240.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Water Bill.—The Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Comittal of Bills).

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

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the increasing of the borrowing powers of the British Waterways Board, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums payable out of or into the National Loans Fund or the Consolidated Fund which is attributable to provisions increasing to £35 million the aggregate amount which may be outstanding in respect of—

(a) the principal of any money borrowed by the British Waterways Board under section 19 of the Transport Act 1962; and
(b) the Board's commencing capital debt as defined in Part II of that Act.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from members and supporters of the Dignity in Death Alliance for an increase in the National Insurance Death Grant to at least £160 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. Spencer Le Marchant);

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. Spencer Le Marchant.)

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

Tuesday 20th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated

(1) 9th December 1980,
(2) 10th December 1980,
(3) 11th December 1980,
(4) 12th December 1980,
(5) 15th December 1980,
(6) 16th December 1980,
(7) 17th December 1980,
(8) 18th December 1980,
(9) 19th December 1980,
(10) 22nd December 1980,
(11) 23rd December 1980, and
(12) 24th December 1980

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Peter Rees:

Customs and Excise,—Copies of Orders, dated 12th January 1981, entitled—

(1) the Bingo Duty (Exemptions) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 20), and
(2) the Gaming Machine Licence Duty (Exemptions) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 21)

[by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

International Civil Aviation Organisation (Miscellaneous No. 2, 1981).—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Montreal on 6th October 1980, relating to an Amendment to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (the Protocol has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8123].
Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Asthma,—Copy of a Report by the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council on occupational asthma [by Command] [Cmnd. 8121].

Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons,—Copies of Statements by the Secretaries of State for Social Services and Wales on—

(1) the residential care of handicapped persons under the age of 65 in England and Wales at 31st March 1979, and
(2) the separation of younger from older patients in hospital in the year ended 30th June 1979
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 77 and 90].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981 [by Act].

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

Government Trading Funds,—Copy of the Accounts of the Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 103].

MEMORANDA

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates’ Election Expenses) Order 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. David Watkins Chairman of the Special Standing Committee on the Criminal Attempts Bill, and Mr. John Hunt an additional Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the British Telecommunications Bill.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Order of the House [30th October 1980], Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Graham Page Chairman of the Special Standing Committee on the Criminal Attempts Bill.

[No. 30.]

Wednesday, 21st January, 1981.

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).

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 21st January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-i].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-vii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-vii].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).
Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 42].

Appendices to Minutes of Evidence to be printed, together with Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on 12th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament and on 3rd and 10th December [Nos. 42-1 and II].

Minutes of Proceedings to be printed [No. 42].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 109].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table.

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 21st January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-vi].

Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 21st January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-v].

Northern Ireland Committee.—Mr. Michael English reported from the Northern Ireland Committee, That they had considered the matter of the Proposal to establish an Enterprise Zone in Belfast, referred to them on 2nd December, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 111].

Supply [5th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Need for an Energy Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores Her Majesty's Government's lack of overall energy policy; condemns the pricing policy which handicaps the competitiveness of British industry, and rejects a policy for coal which would lead to a reduction in the output projected in the ' Plan for Coal '—(Mr. Merlyn Rees);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House recognises the realism of the Government's energy policy and welcomes the renewed vigour with which the nation's energy resources are being developed", instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Howell).

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 255.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 309.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House recognises the realism of the Government's energy policy and welcomes the renewed vigour with which the nation's energy resources are being developed.

Local Government (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 18th December, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Younger);

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. 2 (Exempted business).
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 282.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. James Tinn: 231.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 18th December, be approved.

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Housing (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th January, be approved—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. George Morton: 219.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th January, be approved.

Housing (Scotland).—Resolved, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th January, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)

Housing (Scotland).—Resolved, That the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Variation (No. 2) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th January, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Two o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.7 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 21st January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th November 1980, entitled the Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Harbour Revision Order 1980; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].


Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture.—Copy of the Review of Agriculture for 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8132].

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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petition [8th December] from Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Eccles for an investigation into the death of Sharon Jakulis [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Copy of the First Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 99].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Water Bill, viz.: Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Denshore Dover, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. John Forrester, Mr. Ted Graham, Dr. Keith Hampson, Mr. Douglas Hogg, Mr. Denis Howell, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mr. Robert Farrar, Mr. Wyn Roberts, Mr. Giles Shaw, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Daydd Wigley, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

Special Standing Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Special Standing Committee in respect of the Criminal Attempts Bill, viz.: Mr. Keith Best, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Warren Hawksley, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. Ron Leighton, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Edward Lyons, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Patrick Mayhew, Mr. David Mellor, Miss Jo Richardson, Mr. Roger Sims, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, and Mr. John Wheeler.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits (No. 2) Regulations 1980, viz.: Mr. Robert Adley, Mr. Tom Benyon, Mr. David Gilroy Bevan, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Frank Dobson, Mr. Peter Fry, Mr. Terence L. Higgins, Mr. John Horam, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. Eric Ogden, Mr. James Pawsley, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Leslie Spriggs, and Mr. Roger Stott.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. W. Benyon, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Robert Litherland, Mr. Allen McKay, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Tim Rathbone, Mr. John Sever, A. W. Stallard, Mr. John Tilley, and Mr. Peter Viggers.

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 21st January 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Water Bill to Standing Committee A.

PRAYERS.

Allied Irish Banks Bill.—A Bill to provide for the transfer to Allied Irish Banks Limited of the undertaking and business of Provincial Bank of Ireland Limited; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Barnsley Borough Council Bill.—A Bill for the better prevention of trespassing on school and sports premises maintained in whole or in part by the Barnsley Borough Council; and for purposes incidental thereto, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire lands; to empower Sealink U.K. Limited to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill.—A Bill to transfer to a new company to be established for that purpose the trusteeships of the British Railways Board in respect of certain pension schemes of the Board; to transfer the assets relating to such schemes; 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 lands; 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 ordered to be read a second time.

Charterhouse Japhet Bill.—A Bill to provide for the transfer to Charterhouse Japhet Limited of the undertaking of Keyser Ullmann Limited; 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.

Lloyd's Bill.—A Bill to establish a Council of Lloyd's; to define the functions and powers of the said Council; to amend and repeal certain provisions of Lloyd's Acts 1871 to 1951; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lloyds Bank Bill.—A Bill to provide for the transfer to Lloyds Bank Limited of the undertaking of Lewis's Bank Limited; and for other purposes incidental thereto and consequential thereon, 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 confer further powers on the Executive; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Northumbrian Water Authority Bill.—A Bill to confer powers on the Northumbrian Water Authority for the performance of their functions under the Water Act 1973; to authorise the sale of electricity generated at Kielder Water; to make provision with respect to exceptions from licensing control under the Water Resources Act 1963; to apply provisions of the Third Schedule to the Water Act 1945 to the water undertaking of the Authority; to extend section 129 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 in relation to the sewage and sewerage disposal functions of the Authority; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.—A Bill to increase the borrowing powers of the Whitehaven Harbour Commissioners; to confer on the Commissioners further powers pursuant to the Harbours, Docks, and Piers Clauses Act 1847; to make further provision for the regulation of the harbour; and for purposes connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill.—A Bill to authorise the Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Harbour Commissioners to demolish and remove the pier at Yarmouth in the county of the Isle of Wight; and for purposes connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Transport (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday 27th January.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 29th January.

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

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38 iv].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 22nd January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15 v].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland 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. Peter Brooke):—Debate arising:

Mr. Donald Coleman 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:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr James Hamilton : 246.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 296.

So the Question was negatived.

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 14th July 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Clean Air (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 28th October 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 11th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Road Traffic (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 11th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Leasehold (Enlargement and Extension) Amendment (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 12th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 5th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Building Societies and Tax (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 5th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 23rd January, 1981:

And the Question being put:

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes past Twelve o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.25 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 22nd January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services (Classes IV to IX) for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and on certain Store Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 97].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 1, 1981).—Copy of an Interim Agreement, signed at Brussels on 6th May 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on trade and trade co-operation (with Final Act) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8120].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Education, Science and Arts.—Copy of initial Government Observations on the Fifth Report from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, Session 1979-80, on the funding and organisation of courses in higher education [by Command] [Cmnd. 8139].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Monopolies and Mergers.—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed merger of the vehicle rental activities of Compagnie Internationale Europcar and Godfrey Davis Limited [by Act]; to be printed [No. 94].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:


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

Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks).—Copy of the Account of the Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks) Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1980 [No. 97].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Robert Parry (nominated in respect of the Water Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ken Woolmer.

Special Standing Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Special Standing Committee Mr. Ivor Stanbrook (nominated in respect of the Criminal Attempts Bill); and had appointed in substitution Sir Nicholas Bonsor.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 22nd January 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Albert Costain Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Water Bill; Mr. Ted Leadbitter Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 1980; and Mr. John Spence Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981.

Friday, 23rd January, 1981.

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

Employment and Training Bill.—Mr. Secretary Prior, supported by Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. David Waddington, and Mr. Peter Morrison, presented a Bill to amend the Industrial Training Act 1964; to abolish the Employment Service Agency and the Training Services Agency; to provide for the retention of receipts by certain bodies; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 26th January and to be printed [Bill 49].
House of Commons Members’ Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Bill.—Mr. Francis Pym, supported by Mr. Barney Hayhoe, and Mr. Peter Rees, presented a Bill to provide for payments out of the House of Commons Members’ Fund to certain persons who have ceased to be Members of the House of Commons before 1965 or to their widows or widowers; to exclude the application of section 4(4) of the House of Commons Members’ Fund Act 1948 in certain cases; and to amend section 22(2) of the Parliamentary and other Pensions Act 1972: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 26th January and to be printed [Bill 50].

Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill.—Mr. Laurie Pavitt, supported by Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr. David Ennals, Mr. Terence L. Higgins, Sir Derek Walker-Smith, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Clement Freud, Mrs. Sheila Faith, Mr. Andrew Bennett, Miss Jo Richardson, and Mr. McCusker, presented a Bill to provide for the control and regulation of advertising of tobacco products and of other means of advertising such products; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 51].

Committee to Review Functioning of Financial Institutions,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the Reports of the Committee to Review the Functioning of Financial Institutions chaired by the Right honourable Member for Huyton (Cmnd. 7937 and 7503) (Mr. John Browne); And it being Eleven o’clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5 (Friday sittings).

Committee to Review Functioning of Financial Institutions,—The Question being again proposed, That this House takes note of the Reports of the Committee to Review the Functioning of Financial Institutions chaired by the Right honourable Member for Huyton (Cmnd. 7937 and 7503); And the Question being put; Resolved, That this House takes note of the Reports of the Committee to Review the Functioning of Financial Institutions chaired by the Right honourable Member for Huyton (Cmnd. 7937 and 7503).

Agriculture,—Ordered, That Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Mark Hughes and Mr. Roger Stott be discharged from the Agriculture Committee and Mr. David Myles and Mr. Stanley Newens be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Energy,—Ordered, That Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd be discharged from the Energy Committee and Mr. Robert McCrindle be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Environment,—Ordered, That Mr. Jim Marshall be discharged from the Environment Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Home Affairs,—Ordered, That Mr. Phillip Whitehead be discharged from the Home Affairs Committee and Dr. Edmund Marshall be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Social Services,—Ordered, That Mr. Frank Field be discharged from the Social Services Committee and Mr. Andrew Bennett be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Transport,—Ordered, That Mr. Robin F. Cook be discharged from the Transport Committee and Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Procedure (Supply),—Ordered, That Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier be discharged from the Select Committee on Procedure (Supply) and Mr. John Garrett be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Anthony Berry.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]
Monday, 26th January, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed her to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [Government proposals for income during initial sickness].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 113].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 113].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to replace by amounts equivalent to special drawing rights of the International Monetary Fund the amounts in gold francs specified in certain provisions limiting the liability of shipowners and others; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the circumstances in which complaints about consular actions can be made under the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords]].

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 53].

Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords].—The Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 54].

Adjournment (Purchase of The Times and the Sunday Times newspapers).—Mr. John Smith, Member for Lanark North, rose in his place and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration, viz., a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission of the proposed purchase of The Times and the Sunday Times newspapers by Mr. Rupert Murdoch; and the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) until the commencement of public business to-morrow.

Forestry Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 301.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. George Morton: 240.

So the Question 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, at this day’s sitting, the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour and the Motions relating to Landlord and Tenant may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o’clock.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Ways and Means,—Forestry,—Resolved, That any Act of the present Session to amend the Forestry Act 1967 may make provision for payments to be made out of the Forestry Fund into the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)
Landlord and Tenant.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Increase of Rent Restriction (Housing Associations) (Scotland) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1668), dated 30th October 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 11th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be revoked.—(Mr. Donald Dewar) :—It was negatived.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

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

Adjourned at 11.44 p.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 26th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Museums and Galleries,—Statement of indemnities for the loss of objects borrowed by the National Galleries of Scotland [by Command].

Local Government (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated 22nd December 1980, entitled—

1. the Domestic Water Rate Product (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2051), and
2. the Local Government (Rate Product) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2050)

[by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated 16th January 1981, entitled—

1. the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 56), and
2. the National Health Service (Vocational Training) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 55)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Merchandise Marks,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd December 1980, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Designation of Approval Marks) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 2027) [by Act].

[No. 34.]

Tuesday, 27th January, 1981.

PRAYERS.

Allied Irish Banks Bill,—The Allied Irish Banks Bill was read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Barnsley Borough Council Bill,—The Barnsley Borough Council Bill was read a second time and committed.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—Ordered, That the British Railways (No. 2) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.
British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill,—Ordered, That the British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.

British Transport Docks Bill,—Ordered, That the British Transport Docks Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.

Charterhouse Japhet Bill—The Charterhouse Japhet Bill was read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—Ordered, That the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.

Lloyd's Bill,—Ordered, That the Lloyd's Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.

Lloyds Bank Bill,—Ordered, That the Lloyds Bank Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.

London Transport Bill,—Ordered, That the London Transport Bill be read a second time upon Thursday.

Northumbrian Water Authority Bill,—The Northumbrian Water Authority Bill was read a second time and committed.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill,—The Whitehaven Harbour Bill was read a second time and committed.

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill,—The Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill was read a second time and committed.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Transport (No. 2) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday.

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 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration), 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 1979-80.—(The Second Deputy Chairman of the 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 1979-80, (1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:

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and (2) in the Standing Committees under the following heads:

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

Delegated Legislation,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Instruments considered in Session 1979-80 by the Joint Committee and the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments respectively pursuant to their orders of reference, showing in each case the numbers of Instruments subject to the different forms of Parliamentary procedure and of those within the Committees' orders of reference for which no Parliamentary procedure is prescribed by statute, and the numbers drawn to the special attention of the House or of both Houses distinguishing the ground in the Committees' orders of reference upon which such attention was invited ; and of the numbers of Instruments considered by a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., and by the House respectively, in Session 1979-80, showing the number where the Question on the proceedings relating thereto was put forthwith under Standing Order No. 73A(5).—(The Second 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 this House and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in Session 1979-80:

Of all Private Bills, Hybrid Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1979-80 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 Order ought or ought not to be confirmed:

Of all Private Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1979-80 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 Second 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 1979-80, showing:

(1) the number which received the Royal Assent, and
(2) the number which did not receive the Royal Assent, indicating those which were introduced into 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 Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Select Committees.—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1979-80 of Select Committees in Session 1979-80, with the Sub-committees appointed by them; the number of the meetings of each and the number of meetings each Member attended; and the number of Members who served on Select Committees; together with the total cost (estimated where necessary) in respect of each Select Committee and Sub-committee of:—the attendance of witnesses; overseas visits; visits within the United Kingdom; specialist advisers’ remuneration and expenses respectively, and other work commissioned; entertainment; the preparation for publication of the Minutes of Evidence; and printing and publishing; with so much of the same information as is relevant to the Chairmen’s Panel and the Court of Referees.—(The Second 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 1979-80 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 Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Committees.—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1979-80 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 other items referred to Standing Committees pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) 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 other items as above 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 other item, 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 Second 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 1979-80; 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 1979-80, 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 Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. **Bob Cryer** 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. 18-xi].

Foreign Affairs,—Mr. **Anthony Kershaw** reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 27th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 117-i].

Home Affairs,—Sir **Graham Page** reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 39-iv].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. **Terence L. Higgins** reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 27th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-i].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. **Bob Cryer** 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. 19-vi].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Bearsden & Milngavie District Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Churches and Universities (Scotland) Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Cumnock and Doon Valley District Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dunfermline District Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Peterhead Harbours Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

House of Commons (Services).—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 27th January to be printed [No. 464-i].

European Community Documents,—**Ordered**, That European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80, COM(80)922 Final and COM(80)920 Final be referred to a Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—(Mr. **Donald Thompson**.)

Town and Country Planning (Protection of Listed Buildings).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to increase the penalties for unauthorised works to buildings of historical or architectural interest; to make further provision for the repair and maintenance of such buildings; and for related purposes.—(Mr. **John Heddle**);
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):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. John Heddle, Sir Derek Walker-Smith, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Sir Graham Page, Mr. John Major, Mr. Percy Grieve, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Michael Morris, Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann, Mr. Tony Durant, and Mr. Peter Hardy, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Town and Country Planning (Protection of Listed Buildings) Bill.—Mr. John Heddle accordingly presented a Bill to increase the penalties for unauthorised works to buildings of historical or architectural interest; to make further provision for the repair and maintenance of such buildings; and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 13th February and to be printed [Bill 55].

Adjournment (Purchase of The Times and the Sunday Times Newspapers).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. John Smith):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. George Morton: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 281.

So the Question was negatived.

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

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

Business of the House. Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister for the Adjournment of the House may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Eleven o'clock.—(Mr. Donald Thompson)

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

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank R. White: 231.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 282.

So the Question was negatived.

Prisons.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act (Continuance No. 3) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd January, be approved—(Mr. Patrick Mayhew);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 28th January, 1981:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Donald Thompson: 75.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours: 5.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Continuance No. 3) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd January, be approved.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes past One o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.3 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday 27th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Development Fund.—Accounts of the Development Fund showing—
(1) the receipts into, and issues out of, the fund in the year ended 31st March 1980, and
(2) the loans outstanding on 31st March 1980;
with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 116].


Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Refugees (Miscellaneous No. 3, 1981).—Copy of the European Agreement on the transfer of responsibility for refugees, signed at Strasbourg on 16th October 1980 (with explanatory Report) (the Agreement has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8127].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Local Government (Scotland).—Copy of the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into Local Government in Scotland [by Command] [Cmnd. 8115].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Civil Aviation.—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th January 1981, entitled the Civil Aviation Authority (Sixth Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 61) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th November 1980, entitled the Brightlingsea Harbour Revision (Financial Provisions) Order 1980; with a Statement by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

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

Private Bills.—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Private Business; to be printed [No. 47].

Standing Committees.—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Standing Committees; to be printed [No. 239].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 27th January 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80, COM (80) 922 Final and COM (80) 920 Final to the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.

[No. 35.1

Wednesday, 28th January, 1981.

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).

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 120].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment 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 an Appendix laid before them; and the Report was brought up and read (First Report) [The Manpower Services Commission's Corporate Plan 1981-85].

Report, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 101].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 101].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-viii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-viii].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 41-ii].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 121-il].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January, together with Appendices.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 112].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, that they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-vii].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, 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. 122].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-vii].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 1980, referred to a Committee on 19th January.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 119].

Employment,—Ordered, that a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Carr to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Public Education Costs (Report),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the Secretary of State to carry out a review of the transfer of the whole cost of public education to a central fund financed by income-related contributions; to report to Parliament the results thereof; and to report to Parliament on the effects of proceeding further to introduce an education voucher scheme.—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams);
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 nominations of Select Committees at commencement of public business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Matthew Parris, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams : 67.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Maxton, Mr. Alfred Dubs : 168.

So the Question was negatived.

British Nationality Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Nationality 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,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the British Nationality Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Twelve o'clock.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

British Nationality Bill,—The Question being again proposed, That the British Nationality Bill be now read a second time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
And the Question being put;
The House proceeded to a Division.
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning:

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Anthony Berry : 292.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn : 242.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Michael Cocks);
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 243.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Anthony Berry : 293.
So the Question was negatived.
The Bill was accordingly committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 1st December, be approved.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 1st December, be approved.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)
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 28th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Her Majesty's Stationery Office,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of Her Majesty's Stationery Office for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]: to be printed [No. 95].
Her Majesty's Stationery Office,—Copy of the Operating Accounts and Balance Sheets of Her Majesty's Stationery Office for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Report and Accounts for 1979-80 [No. 95].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copies of Orders, dated 15th January 1981, entitled—
(1) the Gaming Act (Variation of Monetary Limits) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 58), and
(2) the Gaming (Small Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 59) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Patents,—Copy of Rules, dated 22nd January 1981, entitled the Patents (Amendment) Rules 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 72) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Bigen:

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Participation Agreements,—Copy of a Statement, dated 23rd December 1980, by the Secretary of State for Energy of the certification of agreements dated 18th February and 14th October 1980 as agreements to which section 1 of the Participation Agreements Act 1978 applies [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Transport,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the British Railways Board (Increase of Compensation Limit) Order 1981 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Forestry Bill,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Standing Committee in respect of the Forestry Bill, viz.: Mr. Esmond Bulmer, Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. Geraint Howells, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. Paul Marland, Mr. Carol Mather, Miss Joan Maynard, Mr. Martin O'Neill, Mr. John Parker, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Jerry Wiggin, and Mr. Delwyn Williams.

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80, COM (80) 922 Final and COM (80) 920 Final, viz.: Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Vivian Bendall, Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Stephen Dorreell, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Stephen Hastings, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mrs. Jill Knight, Dr. Oonagh McDonald, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Dudley Smith, Mr. Tom Tormey, and Mr. Jerry Wiggin.

PRAYERS.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Transport (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday 5th February.
Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 5th February.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Transport Docks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

Lloyd’s Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd’s Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

Lloyds Bank Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyds Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th February.

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

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-v].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 784].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland 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 Social Security (Contributions) Bill, without Amendment.

Employment,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Carr of Hadley to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Landlord and Tenant Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Landlord and Tenant Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

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:

Redundancy Fund Bill.—Mr. Secretary Prior, supported by Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. David Waddington, and Mr. Peter Morrison, presented a Bill to increase the limit imposed by section 109(2) of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 on the aggregate amount which may be borrowed by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the Redundancy Fund: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 56].

Supply [6th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Public Accounts.—Resolved, That this House takes note of the Eighth, Ninth, and Eleventh to Thirty-Fifth Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts in the last Session of Parliament, and of the Treasury Minutes and the Northern Ireland Department of Finance Memorandum on those Reports and on the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Tenth Reports presented in the last Session of Parliament (Cmnd. 7925, 7962, 7992, 8066, 8067 and 8125).—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

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

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 Thompson.)

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

[Adjourned at 10.25 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 29th January 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

British Airways Board,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 19th January 1981 on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Electricity,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—

(1) 22nd January 1981, and
(2) 22nd January 1981

on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

Iron and Steel,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 19th January 1981 on loans raised by the British Steel Corporation [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

British Phosphate Commissioners,—Copy of the Report of the British Phosphate Commissioners for the year ended 30th June 1979 [by Command].

European Communities (No. 3, 1981),—Copy of an Interim Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th May 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on the advance implementation of Protocol No. 2 to the Co-operation Agreement (with Final Act) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8133].

European Communities (No. 4, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement on Fisheries, signed at Brussels on 15th April 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Government of Spain [by Command] [Cmnd. 8134].

Miscellaneous (No. 4, 1981),—Copy of the Report of the Antigua Constitutional Conference held at London in December 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8142].

Treaty Series (No. 5, 1981),—Copy of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of Deposit of Micro-organisms for the purposes of Patent Procedure, open for signature from 28th April to 31st December 1977 (with Regulations) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8136].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Trade,—Return in part to an Address to Her Majesty of 6th December 1979 for a Return of Statistics relating to overseas trade for each month during 1980, for December.

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Local Government, Planning and Land (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Sea Fisheries,—Copies of Orders, dated 29th January 1981, entitled—

(1) the Fishing Nets (No. 2) (Variation) Order (S.I., 1981, No. 98), and
(2) the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (No. 2) (Variation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 97)
[by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Forestry Bill,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from a Standing Committee on the Forestry Bill Mr. Martin O’Neill; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Harry Ewing.

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents Mrs. Jill Knight (nominated in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80, COM (80) 922 Final and COM (80) 920 Final); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Peter Mills.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 29th January 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairman of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Michael Shaw an additional Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill; and Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80, COM (80) 922 Final and COM (80) 920 Final.

[No. 37.]

Friday, 30th January, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Indecent Displays (Control) Bill,—The Indecent Displays (Control) 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).

Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill,—The Industrial Diseases (Notification) 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).

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill;

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

Mr. Geoffrey Rippon rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

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And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 6th February.

Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

Agriculture,—Ordered, That Mr. Stanley Cohen be added to the Agriculture Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection).

Home Affairs,—Ordered, That Mr. Arthur Davidson be discharged from the Home Affairs Committee and Mr. Alfred Dubs be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Treasury and Civil Service,—Ordered, That Mr. Kenneth Baker be discharged from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee and Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

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

And the Question having been proposed after half-past Two 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 one minute past Three o'clock, till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.]

APPENDIX

*Friday 30th January 1981*

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriation Accounts,—Appropriation Accounts for the sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services (Classes X-XV and XVII) for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon certain Revenue and Store Accounts [by Act]; to be printed [No. 98].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation,—Accounts of Greenwich Hospital and the Travers Foundation for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 124].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Social Security,—Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 16th January 1981, entitled the Social Security (Unemployment Benefit) (Abatement for Occupational Pension Payments) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 73), and


Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Mr. Peter Walker:

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

Agricultural Research Council,—Account of the Agricultural Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts (Classes X-XV and XVII) 1979-80 [No. 98].

British Library,—Account of the British Library for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts (Classes X-XV and XVII) 1979-80 [No. 98].

Medical Research Council,—Account of the Medical Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts (Classes X-XV and XVIII) 1979-80 [No. 98].

Natural Environment Research Council,—Account of the Natural Environment Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts (Classes X-XV and XVII) 1979-80 [No. 98].

Science Research Council,—Account of the Science Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts (Classes X-XV and XVII) 1979-80 [No. 98].

Social Science Research Council,—Account of the Social Science Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Appropriation Accounts (Classes X-XV and XVII) 1979-80 [No. 98].

Paper withdrawn and Order to lie upon the Table discharged:


[No. 381]

Monday, 2nd February, 1981.

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 on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz.: Charterhouse Japhet.

Bill committed.

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

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 2nd February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 39-v].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 2nd February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 125-i].

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

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Special Standing Committee.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Insurance Companies Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Insurance Companies Bill:

And it being Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the business.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Insurance Companies Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Insurance Companies Bill,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Insurance Companies Bill be 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).
Road Traffic.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits) (No. 2) Regulations 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 13th January, be approved—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant):—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-nine minutes to Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.31 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 2nd February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Mr. Francis Pym:
Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of St. John's College, Cambridge, on 13th November 1980 amending the Statutes of the College [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 2nd February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill and the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill to Standing Committee C.

[No. 39.]

Tuesday, 3rd February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order not previously inquired into 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 following Bill, referred on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has not been complied with, viz.:

Allied Irish Banks.

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 3rd February and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Eighth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xii].
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xiii].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 53-ii].

Procedure (Supply)—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-ii].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-vii].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to render the provisions of the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights enforceable in the courts of the United Kingdom; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Bill of Rights Bill [Lords]].

Bill of Rights Bill [Lords].—The Bill of Rights Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 60].

Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

Domestic Rating (Abolition) Bill,—Mr. Christopher Murphy, supported by Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. David Gilroy Bevan, Mr. Tim Brinton, Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. Denshore Dover, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Peter Griffiths, Mr. Warren Hawksley, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. James Pavsey, and Mr. Richard Shepherd, presented a Bill to abolish the power of local authorities to levy rates on domestic householders: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 57].

Portavadie (Public Inquiry).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the holding of a public inquiry into the sale of the village at the platform construction site in Portavadie—(Mr. Dennis Canavan);

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. Russell Kerr, Mr. John Maxton: 153.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. Robert Atkins: 194.

So the Question was negatived.

Supply [7th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Increasing Poverty resulting from Government Policies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores Her Majesty's Government's policies which are destroying the welfare state, eroding personal freedoms and increasing poverty among the unemployed, the elderly, the sick, the disabled, the working poor and families with young children—(Mr. Norman Buchan);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words, "this House acknowledges that at a time of severe economic recession, the policies of Her Majesty's Government offer the only effective way to real economic recovery, the creation of lasting jobs and a decent standard of living for all the people of this country while at the same time protecting the most vulnerable groups in society", instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Jenkin.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. Austin Mitchell: 258.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 304.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 290.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton: 255.

So the Question was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House acknowledges that at a time of severe economic recession, the policies of Her Majesty's Government offer the only effective way to real economic recovery, the creation of lasting jobs and a decent standard of living for all the people of this country while at the same time protecting the most vulnerable groups in society.

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.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Northern Ireland (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th January, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Fisheries Amendment (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, which was laid before this House on 10th December, be approved.—(Mr. Adam Butler.)

Ways and Means.—Gas Levy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That provision may be made for the levying from the British Gas Corporation of a levy in respect of certain gas supplied to them and for the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums received in respect of the levy or of interest on it.—(Mr. Norman Lamont);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 4th February, 1981:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That provision may be made for the levying from the British Gas Corporation of a levy in respect of certain gas supplied to them and for the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums received in respect of the levy or of interest on it.

Gas Levy [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Gas Levy [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 impose a levy on the British Gas Corporation in respect of certain gas supplied to them it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums payable under the provisions of the Act relating to the repayment of levy to the Corporation and the payment to the Corporation of interest on sums repaid;

(2) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase in the expenses of the Secretary of State which are attributable to the Act—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—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 Howell, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. Norman Lamont, and Mr. John Moore, do prepare and bring it in.

Gas Levy Bill,—Mr. Norman Lamont accordingly presented a Bill to impose on the British Gas Corporation a levy in respect of certain gas: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day and to be printed [Bill 59].

Liaison Committee,—Ordered, That Mr. Donald Dewar be discharged from the Liaison Committee and Mr. Robert Hughes be added to the Committee.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—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 to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.37 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 3rd February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated—
(1) 29th December 1980,
(2) 30th December 1980,
(3) 31st December 1980,
(4) 2nd January 1981,
(5) 5th January 1981,
(6) 6th January 1981,
(7) 7th January 1981,
(8) 8th January 1981,
(9) 9th January 1981, and
(10) 12th January 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].


Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 5, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 19th September 1980, amending certain zero-duty tariff quotas opened by the United Kingdom in 1980 in accordance with Protocol No. 1 of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Finland [by Command] [Cmnd. 8135].

European Communities (No. 7, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8145].

Treaty Series (No. 6, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, open for signature at Geneva from 1st September 1978 to 31st August 1979, to the Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road (CMR) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8138].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Pay Comparability,—Copy of a Report of the Standing Commission on Pay Comparability on university clerical staff [by Command] [Cmnd. 8144].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Post Office,—Statement of appointment and determination of the salary of a member of the Post Office [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—
(1) the Agricultural Trust (Abolition) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, and
(2) the Museums (Northern Ireland) Order 1981
[by Act].

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

Private Bills and Private Business,—Return to an Order of 27th January for a Return relating to Private Bills and Private Business.

Civil Aviation,—Copy of the Accounts of the Aviation Security Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 126].

National Radiological Protection Board,—Copy of the Account of the National Radiological Protection Board for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 127].
Northern Ireland Land Purchase (Winding Up).—Copy of the Accounts of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland in respect of the functions transferred under the Northern Ireland Land Purchase (Winding Up) Act 1935 for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 129].

Sex Discrimination.—Copy of the Account of the Equal Opportunities Commission for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 128].

[No. 40.]

Wednesday, 4th February, 1981.

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 B).

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 draft Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, and the draft Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 were referred, That they had gone through the Orders, 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 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. 141].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 141].

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 English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereto, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 142].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 142].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence 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. 130].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36-vi].

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on Wednesday 4th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-ii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th February 1980, in the last Session of Parliament, together with an Appendix.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 140-ii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 140-ii].

European Legislation, &c,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-ix].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-ix].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, that they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 121-ii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, 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) [Role of the Comptroller and Auditor General].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices [No. 115].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 115].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, that they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-viii].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-vii].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c,—Mr. John Spence reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 20th January.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 131].

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. Paul Dean reported from the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents, European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80, COM(80)922 Final and COM(80)920 Final relating to the use of hormones in domestic animals, together with the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 10994/80 on the use of substances with a hormonal action and those having a thyrostatic action in domestic animals; COM(80)922 Final, laying down conditions for controlling possession, distribution and administration to animals of certain substances with a hormonal action; and COM(80)920 Final, concerning the control and examination of animals and meat in the Community for the presence of residues of substances with oestrogenic, androgenic, gestagenic and thyrostatic effect; but finds the present proposals impracticable and injurious to United Kingdom interests.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 132].

Retail of Motor Fuel (Weights and Measures),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make subject to statutory instrument subject to the approval of both Houses of Parliament changes in the system of measurement according to which motor fuels are retailed: And that Mr. Matthew Paris, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, and Mr. Christopher Murphy, do prepare and bring it in.

Retail of Motor Fuel (Weights and Measures) Bill,—Mr. Matthew Paris accordingly presented a Bill to make subject to statutory instrument subject to the approval of both Houses of Parliament changes in the system of measurement according to which motor fuels are retailed: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 61].

Industry [Money] (No. 2),—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Industry [Money] (No. 2);
Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to increase financial limits which apply in connection with the National Enterprise Board, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other enactment attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(a) increasing the financial limit for the time being specified under section 5(3) of the Industry Act 1980 for the purposes of section 3 of that Act (property transferred to Secretary of State from National Enterprise Board) to £4,400 million; and

(b) providing for that limit to be increased or further increased by order of the Secretary of State made with the consent of the Treasury to an amount not exceeding £5,250 million.—(Mr. Norman Tebbit.)

Industry Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 5 to 12) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 42, to leave out Clause 6.—(Mr. Dick Douglas.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton: 108.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 152.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Industry Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Industry Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 18) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Repeals) brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

European Legislation, &c.—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 2nd July 1979, relating to the nomination of the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., be amended, by leaving out Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd and inserting Mr. David Myles.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until twenty-one minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.39 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 4th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

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 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Civil Judicial Statistics (Scotland).—Copy of Civil Judicial Statistics for Scotland for 1979 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8111].

Mr Secretary Prior:


Mr Secretary Biffen:

Airports Authority.—Statement of determination of the salary of a member of the British Airports Authority [by Act].
Trade Descriptions,—Copies of Orders, dated 2nd February 1981, entitled—
(1) the Trade Descriptions (Country of Origin) (Cutlery) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 122), and
(2) the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 121)
[by Act].

Mr Francis Pym:
Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Oxford on 7th November 1980 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

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

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Sittings of the House and Business of Supply,—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Sittings of the House and Business of Supply.

Industrial Organisation and Development,—Copy of the Accounts of the sums recovered by the Secretary of State for Industry under section 9 of the Industrial Organisation and Development Act 1947 and of their disposal for the year ended 31st March 1980, viz.:
(1) Cutlery and Stainless Steel Flatware Industry (Scientific Research Levy),
(2) Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy),
(3) Iron Casting Industry (Scientific Research Levy),
(4) Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy), and
(5) Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy);
with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 133].

Marshall Aid Commemoration,—Copy of the Account of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 134].

Maternity Pay Fund,—Copy of the Account of the Maternity Pay Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 135].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Insurance Companies Bill, viz.:
Mr. Nicholas Baker, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Don Dixon, Mr. William Homewood, Mr. Robert McCrindle, Mr. William McKelvey, Mr. Roger Moate, Mr. Richard Needham, Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. James Tinn, and Mr. Peter Viggers.

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill, viz.:
Mr. Ernest Armstrong, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. James Dunn, Mrs. Sheila Faith, Mr. Derek Foster, Mr. Dan Jones, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. Patrick Mayhew, Mr. Christopher Murphy, Mr. W. R. Rees-Davies, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. Tim Sainsbury, Mr. Nicholas Scott, Mr. S. C. Silkin, Dr. Shirley Summerskill, and Mr. Mark Wolfson.

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill, viz.:
Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. Robert Atkins, Mr. Antony Buck, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Alan Clark, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Dr. Alan Glyn, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mrs. Jill Knight, Miss Joan Lester, Dr. Maurice Miller, Mr. Richard Needham, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Michael Welsh, Mr. Dafydd Wigley, and Sir George Young.

Standing Committee D,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the British Nationality Bill, viz.:
Mr. Tristram Garraw Jones, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Roy Hattersley, Mr. Richard Luce, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. John Major, Mr. Tony Marlow, Mr. Jim
Marshall, Mr. Michael Mates, Mr. George Morton, Mr. J. Enoch Powell, Mr. Timothy Raison, Miss Jo Richardson, Mr. John Sever, Mr. Michael Shersby, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. Stan Thorne, Mr. John Tilley, Mr. John Ward, Mr. Ray Whitney, and Mr. John Wilkinson.

Special Standing Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Special Standing Committee on the Education Bill, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, Dr. Rhodes Boyson, Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, Mr. Frank Field, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Harry Greenway, Mr. John Hannam, Mr. Alan Haselhurst, Mr. Ednyfed Hudson Davies, Mr. Neil Kinnock, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. James Pawsey, Mr. Michael Roberts, Mr. Malcolm Thornton, Mr. van Straubenzee, Mr. Frank R. White, and Mr. Phillip Whitehead.

Forestry Bill,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they discharged from the Standing Committee on the Forestry Bill Mr. Patrick Cormack and had appointed in substitution Viscount Cranborne.

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Forestry Bill and the Insurance Companies Bill to Standing Committee A; and the British Nationality Bill to Standing Committee F.

[No. 41.]

Thursday, 5th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Transport (No. 2) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday 10th February.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 12th February.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th February.

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th February.

Lloyd's Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th February.

Lloyds Bank Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyds Bank Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 10th February.

London Transport Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Transport Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th February.
Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland 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 amend the law relating to the restriction of reports of committal proceedings in magistrates' courts in cases where there is more than one accused; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House (Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords]).

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered. That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered. That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

The Government's Economic and Industrial Policies.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the economic and industrial policies of the Government; welcomes the continuing fall in the rate of inflation, greater realism in wage bargaining, and increasing awareness in industry of the need to be competitive; and recognises that lower inflation, higher output, an expanding private sector and better industrial relations provide the only secure basis for more jobs (The Prime Minister);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "deploring both the massive rise in unemployment and the massive fall in industrial output, calls upon the Government to abandon its economic and monetary policies which are crippling British industry and inflicting great and lasting damage on the whole economy", instead thereof. (Mr. Michael Foot.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Geoffrey Robinson, Mr. Joe Dean: 240.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 309.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House approves the economic and industrial policies of the Government; welcomes the continuing fall in the rate of inflation, greater realism in wage bargaining, and increasing awareness in industry of the need to be competitive; and recognises that lower inflation, higher output, an expanding private sector and better industrial relations provide the only secure basis for more jobs.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from members of the Birmingham branch of the National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited for the rejection of the proposals outlined in 'Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy' was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from members of the Brighton and District branch of the National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses Limited for the rejection of the proposals outlined in 'Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy' was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Lincoln for the rejection of the proposals outlined in 'Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy' was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

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 I

Thursday 5th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Public Service Pensions.—Copy of the Report of an inquiry into the value of public sector pensions [by Command] [Cmnd. 8147].
Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 6, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Bucharest on 28th July 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Republic of Romania on trade in industrial products [by Command] [Cmnd. 8141].

European Communities (No. 8, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 17th July 1980, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8146].

Morocco (No. 1, 1981),—Copy of a Cultural Agreement, signed at Rabat on 27th October 1980, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Morocco (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8140].

Mr Secretary Jenkin:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th January 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 101) [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on 12th November 1980 amending the Statutes of the College [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 [27th January] for a Return relating to Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration).

Special Procedure Orders,—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Special Procedure Orders.

Public Petitions,—Observations of the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petition [20th January] from members and supporters of the Dignity in Death Alliance praying for an increase in the National Insurance Death Grant to at least £160 [by Standing Order]; to be printed.


APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Roger Moate (nominated in respect of the Insurance Companies Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Reginald Eyre.

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Miss Betty Boothroyd Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Forestry Bill; Mr. Michael Shaw Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill; Miss Janet Fookes and Mr. Ernest Armstrong Chairmen of Standing Committee F in respect of the British Nationality Bill; and Mr. John Wells Chairman of the Special Standing Committee in respect of the Education Bill.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Order of the House [30th October 1980], Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Christopher Price Chairman of the Special Standing Committee on the Education Bill.
FRIDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

St. Lucia and Dominica (Independence Gifts).—Lord James Douglas-Hamilton acquainted the House, That the Members who had been given leave of absence on 13th January to present, on behalf of the House, a gift of a clock and gavel set to the Parliament of St. Lucia and a gift of a Speaker's Chair to the House of Assembly of Dominica, had presented the said gifts.

Dominica (Gift of a Speaker’s Chair).—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That the House of Assembly of Dominica, to whom a Speaker’s Chair had been presented, on behalf of the House, by the Members given leave on 13th January, had come to the following Resolution:

That this Honourable House graciously accept this gift of a Chair by the House of Commons and convey an expression of our warmest thanks and appreciation to Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Commons for their kindness in presenting this Chair which will be cherished as among the most treasured possessions of this Honourable House.

Freedom of Information Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Freedom of Information Bill;

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

Mr. Frank Hooley 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. J. W. Rooker, Mr. Robin F. Cook: 111.

Tellers for the Noes, Viscount Cranborne, Mr. John Lee: 172.

So the Question was negatived.

And it being after half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 13th February.

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 30th January, That the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 27th February.

Bill of Rights Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill of Rights Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

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

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

[Adjourned at 3.7 p.m.

APPENDIX

FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Government Trading Funds.—Treasury Minute, dated 5th February 1981, on the financial objective of the Royal Mint Trading Fund [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Younger:

Police,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd January 1981, entitled the Police (Promotion) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 86) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Copy of Northern Ireland Trading and other Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon, and on other Accounts printed separately [by Act]; to be printed [No. 105].

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

Employment Protection,—Copy of the Account of the Redundancy Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 136].

Independent Broadcasting Authority,—Account of additional payments to the Independent Broadcasting Authority by programme contractors and of sums paid into the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom and the Consolidated Fund of Northern Ireland in the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 145].

Local Government (Scotland),—Copy of the Account of the Commission for Local Authority Accounts in Scotland for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 146].

MEMORANDUM

Friday 6th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Countryside (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 43.]

Monday, 9th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-ii].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 39-vi].

Town and Country Planning (Protection of Listed Buildings) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Town and Country Planning (Protection of Listed Buildings) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 20th February.

International Organisations Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the International Organisations Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee. (Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee. (Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee. (Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

Employment and Training Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Employment and Training Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising.
Mr. Michael Jopling 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;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 299.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Ronald Leighton: 248.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Commitment of Bills).

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour and the Motion relating to Public Health may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock.

—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Ways and Means,—Employment and Training,—Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Industrial Training Act 1964 and to provide for the retention of receipts by certain bodies, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums received by those bodies which they are not authorised under that Act to retain.—(Mr. Peter Morrison.)

Public Health,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Control of Pollution (Special Waste) Regulations 1980 (S.I. 1980, No. 1709), dated 30th October 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 17th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament, be revoked—(Mr. Denis Howell):—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;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn: 81.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke: 117.

So the Question was negatived.

Representation of the People,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Election Expenses) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 14th January, be approved—(Mr. Anthony Berry):—It was agreed to.

European Community Proposals for use of Hormones in Domestic Animals,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73B (Standing Committees on European Community documents), That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 10894/80 on the use of substances with a hormonal action and those having a thyrostatic action in domestic animals; COM (80) 922 Final, laying down conditions for controlling possession, distribution and administration to animals of certain substances with a hormonal action; and COM (80) 920 Final, concerning the control and examination of animals and meat in the Community for the presence of residues of substances with oestrogenic, androgenic, gestagenic and thyrostatic effect; but finds the present proposals impracticable and injurious to United Kingdom interests—(Mr. Anthony Berry):—It was agreed to.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

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And the House 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 Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.10 a.m.]

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Monday 9th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries.—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 2nd February 1981, entitled the Lotteries (Variation of Monetary Limits) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 110), and
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

National Health Service (Scotland).—Copy of an Order, dated 28th January 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Functions of Health Boards) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 106) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copy of Introductory Notes to the Report on the Census of Production 1979 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:


[No. 44.]

Tuesday, 10th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill.—A Motion being made, That the British Railways 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.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Transport (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday.

Lloyds Bank Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyds Bank Bill;

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

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 10th February and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Ninth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xiv].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xv].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-iii].
Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Eighth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-viii].

Water Bill.—Sir Albert Costain reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Water 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. 151].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Freedom of Association Bill.—Mr. Denshore Dover, supported by Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mrs. Sheila Faith, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Bowen Wells, Mr. John Wheeler, Mr. Barry Price, Mr. Tim Eggar, Mr. Christopher Murphy, Mr. John Carlisle, and Mr. Michael Colvin, presented a Bill to provide the freedom to belong or not to belong to a trade union; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 63].

European Community Documents.—Ordered, That European Community Document No. 4049/80, concerning the harmonisation of income tax provisions with respect to freedom of movement for workers within the Community, be referred to a Standing Committee on European Community Documents. —(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Muscular Dystrophy.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to put a statutory obligation on health boards to set aside a proportion of their existing resources for research into the causes and effect of muscular dystrophy or to fund any research project approved by the Secretary of State into the causes and effect of muscular dystrophy: And that Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Harry Greenway, Mr. John Maxton, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. William McKelvey, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. Raymond Ellis, Mr. John MacKay, Mr. Dick Douglas, Mr. Frank McElhone, and Mr. Donald Stewart, do prepare and bring it in.

Muscular Dystrophy Bill.—Mr. Allen Adams accordingly presented a Bill to put a statutory obligation on health boards to set aside a proportion of their existing resources for research into the causes and effect of muscular dystrophy or to fund any research project approved by the Secretary of State into the causes and effect of muscular dystrophy: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 20th February and to be printed [Bill 64].

Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) 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. Tony Newton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 181.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Donald Coleman: 136.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Commital of Bills).

Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money]:

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of this session to extend the powers of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority and the Secretary of State with respect to the disposal of shares held by them ("the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in—

(a) the administrative expenses of the Secretary of State;

(b) the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act;

(2) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums falling to be so paid by virtue of the Act.—(Mr. Norman Lamont.)
Armed Forces Bill.—The Armed Forces Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Transport.—Resolved, That the draft British Railways Board (Increase of Compensation Limit) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 28th January, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Fowler.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Donald Thompson):—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-four minutes past Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.24 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 10th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Return of the amount of Series A £1 notes issued for more than twenty years, and outstanding on 31st December 1980, which have been written off from the total amount of notes issued from the Issue Department of the Bank of England [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 9, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Luxembourg on 4th November 1980, on the accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention, signed at Lomé on 31st October 1979 (with Final Act) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8150].

European Communities (No. 10, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Luxembourg on 4th November 1980, between the member states of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Republic of Zimbabwe on products within the province of the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8151].

Private International Law (Miscellaneous No. 5, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Strasbourg on 15th March 1978, to the European Convention on Information on Foreign Law (the Protocol has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8149].

Treaty Series (No. 7, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 3rd December 1980, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Republic of the Philippines for the promotion and protection of investments [by Command] [Cmnd. 8148].

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 Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Harbour Revision Order 1980 [by Act].

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

Development of Rural Wales,—Copy of the Accounts of the Development Board for Rural Wales for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 149].

Sea Fish Industry,—Copy of the Accounts of the Herring Marketing Fund, the White Fish Authority and the Herring Industry Board for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 150].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Miss Joan Maynard (nominated in respect of the Forestry Bill); and had appointed in substitution Dr. Roger Thomas.
Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Richard Needham (nominated in respect of the Insurance Companies Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Bowen Wells.

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 10th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Employment and Training Bill to Standing Committee A; the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and European Community Document No. 4049/80 concerning the harmonisation of income tax provisions with respect to freedom of movement for workers within the Community to the First Standing Committee on European Documents.

[No. 45.]

Wednesday, 11th February, 1981.

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).

Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr. Michael Hamilton reported from the Committee on the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday 17th February at half-past Ten o'clock.

Standing Orders.—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee a Resolution, as follows:

That, in the case of the Allied Irish Banks Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The Resolution was agreed to.

Bill committed.

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 152].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 156-i].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-x].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-x].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 125-ii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-ix].
Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them between 13th May and 11th November 1980 in the last Session of Parliament: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [The Channel Link].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 155].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 155].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-viii].

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 regulating the design, construction and operation of certain energy-consuming appliances and otherwise with respect to the nation's use of energy; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Energy Conservation Bill [Lords]].

Energy Conservation Bill [Lords].—The Energy Conservation Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 66].

Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill,—Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, supported by Mr. Secretary Prior, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Norman Tebbit, and Mr. Michael Marshall, presented a Bill to increase the limit on the aggregate of sums borrowed by, or paid by the Secretary of State to, the British Steel Corporation and sums borrowed by the publicly-owned companies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 65].

Air Accidents (Compensation).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove limits on compensation payable to the dependants of those who lose their lives or are injured in accidents involving aircraft flying to or from the United Kingdom, established by the Warsaw Convention of 1929 and associated legislation: And that Mr. Charles R. Morris, Mr. Barry Sheerman, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. Tom McNally, Mr. Jack Ashley, Mr. Alfred Morris, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Gerold Kaufman, Mr. George Morton, Sir Donald Kaberry, and Mr. Stephen Ross, do prepare and bring it in.

Air Accidents (Compensation) Bill,—Mr. Charles R. Morris accordingly presented a Bill to remove limits on compensation payable to the dependants of those who lose their lives or are injured in accidents involving aircraft flying to or from the United Kingdom, established by the Warsaw Convention of 1929 and associated legislation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 20th February and to be printed [Bill 67].

Supply [8th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

The Government's Attack on Housing and the Building Industry,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns Her Majesty's Government's housing and construction policies, which have made new homes for sale and to rent scarcer than for generations, have driven up the costs of buying and renting a home to higher levels than ever before, and have resulted in post-war record unemployment figures in the construction industry.—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question and add the words “this House welcomes the measures the Government are taking to restore a sound economy, to make better use of the existing housing stock, to revive the private rented sector, to provide a new charter of rights for public sector tenants, and to extend home ownership more widely than ever before”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Heseltine.)

And the Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question:—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;

The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. George Morton: 257.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 311.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the measures the Government are taking to restore a sound economy, to make better use of the existing housing stock, to revive the private rented sector, to provide a new charter of rights for public sector tenants, and to extend home ownership more widely than ever before.

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 26th January, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Weights and Measures (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 13th January, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn,—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant):—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 fifteen minutes to Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.45 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 11th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments,—Copy of the Reports of the Historic Buildings Council for Scotland for the years ended 31st March 1979 and 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 108].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Medical Professions,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the European Communities (Medical, Dental and Nursing Professions) (Linguistic Knowledge) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Town and Country Planning,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th November 1980, entitled the Borough of Blackburn St. Paul’s Church and Churchyard Compulsory Purchase Order 1980; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Water,—Copy of the Accounts of the Thames Water Authority for the two years ended 31st March 1979; with the Report of the District Auditor thereon [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Copy of the Accounts of the Northern Ireland Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1979; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [by Command] [Cmnd. 8137].

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

Government Trading Funds,—Copy of the Accounts of the PSA Supplies Trading Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 153].

Insolvency Services (Accounting and Investment),—Copy of Statements of sums received and paid by the Secretary of State for Trade under the Insolvency Act 1976 and of sums credited and debited to the Investment Account by the National Debt Commissioners for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 154].

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Committee of Selection

Second Reading Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Second Reading Committee in respect of the International Organisations Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Robert Banks, Mr. Peter Blaker, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Julian Critchley, Mr. Eric Dickens, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. Robert Maclean, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Dr. M. S. Miller, Mr. John Sever, Mr. William Shelton, Mr. Peter Tapsell, Mr. Mike Thomas, Mr. John Wakeham, and Mr. Nicholas Winterton.

Second Reading Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Second Reading Committee in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Geoffrey Dickens, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Peter Griffiths, Mr. Robert Hicks, Mr. David Lamble, Mr. Michael McGuire, Mr. Tom McNally, Mr. Eric Ogden, Sir David Price, Mr. Neville Sandelson, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Neville Trotter, Mr. Patrick Wall, and Mr. David Young.

Second Reading Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Second Reading Committee in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Raymond Ellis, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. Warren Haskowsky, Mr. John Horam, Sir Anthony Kershaw, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Richard Luce, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Roland Moyle, Mr. Reg Race, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. Leslie Spriggs, Mr. Neil Thorne, Mr. Dennis Walters, Mr. Ray Whitney, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Employment and Training Bill, viz.: Mr. Robert Adley, Mr. Michael Colvin, Mr. Jim Craigen, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Derek Foster, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Barry Jones, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. David Marshall, Mr. Peter Morrison, Mr. Richard Needham, Mr. Robert Taylor, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. David Waddington, Mr. Harold Walker, and Mr. Keith Wickenden.

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, viz.: Mr. Jocelyn Cadbury, Mr. Laurence Cunliffe, Mr. Dick Douglas, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Archie Hamilton, Mr. Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Mr. Norman Lamont, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. John Osborn, Mr. Arthur Palmer, Mr. David Penthaligon, Mr. Ted Rowlands, Mr. T. H. H. Skeet, Mr. William Waldegrave, Mr. Edwin Wainwright, Mr. John Watson, and Mr. Michael Welsh.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Jonathan Aitken, Mr. Jack Aspinwall, Mr. Tim Brinton, Mr. Adam Butler, Dr. John Cunningham, Mr. Don Dixon, Mr. Anthony Fell, Mr. W. E. Garrett, Mr. David Madel, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. George Park, Mr. Tom Pendry, Mr. K. Harvey Proctor, Mr. Ernie Roberts, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Norman Tebbit, and Mr. Tom Urwin.

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Document No. 4049/80, concerning the harmonisation of Income Tax provisions with respect to freedom of movement for workers within the Community, viz.: Mr. Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Mr. Vivian Bendall, Mr. John Browne, Mr. R. B. Cant, Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Stephen Dorrell, Mr. Patrick Duffy, Mr. Jack Dunnett, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Tony Speller, Mr. David Stoddart, and Mr. David Winnick.

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 11th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill to Standing Committee A.
Thursday, 12th February, 1981.

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 19th February.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the London Transport (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday 17th February.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 19th February.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th February.

Lloyd's Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th February.

Lloyds Bank Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyds Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 17th February.

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

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 12th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 158-i].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Francis Pym reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and Administration Sub-Committee on 4th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 157].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland 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 re-enact with amendments and to extend certain local enactments in force within the county of Kent; to make further provision in regard to the improvement, health and local government of that county; to
confer further powers upon the local authorities of that county; to empower the Thanet District Council to acquire by agreement the undertaking of the company of proprietors of Margate Pier and Harbour; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [County of Kent Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to re-enact with amendments and to extend certain local enactments in force within the county of Humberside; to make further provision in regard to the improvement, health and local government of that county; to confer further powers upon the local authorities of that county; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Humberside Bill [Lords].

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The County of Kent Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Humberside Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Education Bill.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Baroness Young to attend to be examined as a witness before the Special Standing Committee on the Education Bill.-(Mr. Christopher Price.)

The Reverend Ian Paisley, Member for Antrim North, having used a grossly disorderly expression, was ordered by Mr. Speaker to withdraw the same, but he declined to comply with that direction.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 23 (Disorderly conduct), named him for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Reverend Ian Paisley be suspended from the service of the House—(Mr. Michael Jopling);

The House proceeded to a Division;

Mr. Spencer Le Marchant and Mr. Anthony Berry were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, and Mr. Peter Robinson was appointed Teller for the Noes, but no Member being willing to act as a second Teller for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

Mr. Speaker then directed the Reverend Ian Paisley to withdraw from the House:—

And he withdrew accordingly.

Petroleum and Continental Shelf Bill.—Mr. Secretary Howell, supported by Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. Norman Lamont, and Mr. John Moore, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the British National Oil Corporation; to abolish the National Oil Account; to make further provision about licences to search for and get petroleum; to provide for safety zones around certain installations; to make provision as to the application of the law in areas of the continental shelf designated under the Continental Shelf Act 1964 and certain areas adjacent thereto; to extend the application of the Mineral Workings (Offshore Installations) Act 1971 and the Offshore Petroleum Development (Scotland) Act 1975; to amend the Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act 1968, the Petroleum and Submarine Pipe-lines Act 1975 and the Participation Agreements Act 1978; 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 62].

Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 306.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. Allen McKay: 254.

So the Question 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).

Education (Scotland) (No. 2) [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Education (Scotland) (No. 2) [Money];
Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to education in Scotland, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under that Act; and

(b) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of such moneys under any other Act.—(Mr. Alexander Fletcher.)

Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill.—Ordered, That, in respect of the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill, notices of Amendments to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.42 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 12th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Treasury and Civil Service,—Copy of Government Observations on the First Report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, Session 1980-81, on the future of the Civil Service Department [by Command] [Cmnd. 8170].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 11, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 17th July 1980, to the Agreement between the member states of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Swiss Confederation consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8157].

European Communities (No. 12, 1981),—Copy of a supplementary Protocol, signed at Brussels on 17th July 1980, to the additional Agreement concerning the validity, for the Principality of Liechtenstein, of the Agreement between the member states of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Swiss Confederation consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8158].

Law (Miscellaneous No. 6, 1981),—Copy of the European Convention on Recognition and Enforcement of Decisions concerning Custody of Children and on Restoration of Custody of Children, signed at Luxembourg on 20th May 1980 (with explanatory Report) (the Convention has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8155].


Treaty Series (No. 9, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Oslo on 16th October 1979, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway further amending the Convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital, signed at London on 22nd January 1969, as amended [by Command] [Cmnd. 8153].

Treaty Series (No. 10, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Oslo on 16th October 1979, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway further amending the Convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital, signed at London on 22nd January 1969, as amended [by Command] [Cmnd. 8154].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Local Government.—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd February 1981, entitled the Gwent and Mid Glamorgan (Areas) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 113) [by Act].

Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders).—Report by the Secretary of State for Wales of proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Acts 1861-1915 for the year ended 31st January 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Mr. Peter Walker:

Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders).—Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food of proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Acts 1861-1915 for the year ended 31st January 1981 [by Act].

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

Legal Aid and Advice.—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th February 1981, entitled the Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 173) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Reading Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Second Reading Committee in respect of the International Organisations Bill [Lords] Mr. Peter Blaker; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Nicholas Ridley.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 12th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Ted Leadbitter an additional Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Transport Bill and Chairman of the Second Reading Committee on the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords]; Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of the Second Reading Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords]; Sir Albert Costain Chairman of the First Standing Committee on European Documents in respect of European Community Document No. 4049/80; and Sir Donald Kaberry Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendments) Order 1981.

[No. 47.]

Friday, 13th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had made progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report) [The Government's Statement on the New Nuclear Power Programme].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 114].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 114].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Hunter of Newington to attend to be examined as a witness before the Social Services Committee.—(Mrs. Renée Short.)
Social Security Bill.—Mr. Secretary Jenkin, supported by Mr. Secretary Prior, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Secretary Atkins, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Barney Hayhoe, Mr. Hugh Rossi, and Mrs. Lynda Chalker, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to social security, the calculation of maternity pay and reports in relation to war pensions; and to provide for the modification of the Pensions Appeal Tribunals Act 1943: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 16th February and to be printed [Bill 68].

Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising:

Mr. Gordon Wilson 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. George Robertson, Mr. Gordon Wilson: 37.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bill Walker, Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones: 19.

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 Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 27th February.

Safety of Children in Cars Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safety of Children in Cars Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 20th February.

Disabled Persons Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Disabled Persons Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 20th February.

Control of Disconnections Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Control of Disconnections Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 27th February.

Employment.—Ordered, That Mr. John Townend be discharged from the Employment Committee and Mr. Michael Colvin be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Social Services.—Ordered, That Mr. Ralph Howell be discharged from the Social Services Committee and Mr. Tom Benyon be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 3.07 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Friday 13th February 1981

Paper presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


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

Delegated Legislation,—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Delegated Legislation.
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Archie Hamilton (nominated in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Mudd.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Carol Mather (nominated in respect of the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robert Boscawen.

[No. 48.]

Monday, 16th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report) [The Future of The Times Supplements.]

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 152].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 16th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-x].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 16th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-ix].

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 pensions and other benefits payable in respect of service in judicial office, 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 [Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Disused Burial Grounds Act 1884 to enable building to take place on certain disused burial grounds with appropriate safeguards; and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to re-enact with amendments and to extend certain local statutory provisions in force within the county of East Sussex; to confer further powers on the East Sussex County Council and local authorities in the county; to make further provision with respect to the local government, improvement and health of the county and those local authorities; to vest lands in the Hastings Borough Council; to amend the Ashdown Forest Act 1974; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [East Sussex Bill [Lords].

Education Bill,—The Lords give leave to the Baroness Young to attend to be examined as a witness before the Special Standing Committee on the Education Bill, if her Ladyship think fit.

Social Services,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Hunter of Newington to attend to be examined as a witness before the Social Services Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords],—The Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 70].
Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th February and to be printed [Bill 71].

East Sussex Bill [Lords].—The East Sussex Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Town and Country Planning (Protection of Listed Buildings) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Town and Country Planning (Protection of Listed Buildings) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

Motor Cycle Crash Helmets (Secular Principles Objection) Bill,—Sir Ronald Bell, supported by Sir Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. Nicholas Budgen, and Mr. Michael Shersby, presented a Bill to exempt certain persons having objections of principle to compulsion in the matter of wearing motor cycle crash helmets from the provisions of section 32 of the Road Traffic Act 1972: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 69].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Abortion (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1724) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. (Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Adult Education,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, having regard to the importance of adult education in providing opportunities for re-entry into the education system, urges local authorities to make appropriate provision in planning the allocation of resources—(Mr. Robin Squire); And it being Seven o’clock, proceedings thereon lapsed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 6 (Precedence of Government business).

Gas Levy Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Gas Levy 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. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 153.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton : 104.

So the Question 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. Alastair Goodlad.)

Committee to-morrow.

Redundancy Fund Bill,—Ordered, That, in respect of the Redundancy Fund Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Alastair Goodlad.)

House of Commons Members’ Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Bill,—Ordered, That, in respect of the House of Commons Members’ Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Alastair Goodlad.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.54 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 16th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr Secretary Younger:

Transport.—Statement of appointment and determination of the salaries of the Chairman and members of the Scottish Transport Group [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Planning Blight (Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


Sea Fisheries,—Copy of the Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales on their proceedings under sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967 in 1980 [by Act].

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

Judges,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Maximum Number of Judges Order 1981 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Tom Urwin (nominated in respect of the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981); and had appointed in substitution the Reverend Robert Bradford.

MEMORANDUM

Monday 16th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Ernest Armstrong Chairman of the Second Reading Committee on the International Organisations Bill [Lords].

[No. 49.]  
Tuesday, 17th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Felixstowe Dock and Railway (No. 2) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—The London Transport (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Lloyds Bank Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyds Bank Bill;

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

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 17th February and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Tenth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xvi].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xvii].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 78-ii].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xi].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Ninth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-ix].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-x].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 5th February.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 164].

Wages Councils (Amendment),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Wages Councils—(Mr. John Townend);

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. Deputy 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. Richard Alexander, Mr. Christopher Murphy : 115.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Dick Douglas : 194.

So the Question was negatived.

Supply [9th allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Absence of Effective Government Action to Prevent the Threatened Closure of Talbot, Linwood,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the Government's failure to take effective action to prevent the threatened closure of Talbot, Linwood, particularly in the light of the refusal of PSA/Citroen to fulfil the obligations undertaken by the firm in 1978; and expresses its grave anxiety at this latest example of the devastation which Government policies are imposing on manufacturing industry throughout the whole country—(Mr. Bruce Millan);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House notes with regret the decision made by PSA within the 1978 agreement to close the Talbot, Linwood, factory as a consequence of over-capacity despite investment incentives available under the Government's industrial and regional policies; welcomes the company's continuing commitment to manufacturing in Britain; and approves the policies of Her Majesty's Government designed to encourage new employment opportunities in Scotland and other parts of the United Kingdom based upon the achievements of competitive industrial costs and practices", instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)
And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Allen McKay : 240.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 297.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House notes with regret the decision made by PSA within the 1978 agreement to close the Talbot, Linwood, factory as a consequence of over-capacity despite investment incentives available under the Government's industrial and regional policies; welcomes the company's continuing commitment to manufacturing in Britain; and approves the policies of Her Majesty's Government designed to encourage new employment opportunities in Scotland and other parts of the United Kingdom based upon the achievements of competitive industrial costs and practices.

European Economic Community Sugar Proposals: Their Effect on Employment in United Kingdom Refineries and on the Economies of Developing Countries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House calls upon Her Majesty's Government to take steps to preserve cane sugar refinery capacity in the United Kingdom, to press for cuts in the beet quotas of other Common Market countries, to safeguard jobs among sugar workers in the United Kingdom, and to assure the African, Caribbean, and Pacific countries that the commitment on the Sugar Protocol stands firm—(Mr. Roy Mason); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 3, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House notes with regret that both Tate and Lyle Limited and the British Sugar Corporation have had to announce closures following the contraction of the United Kingdom market for sugar; supports the Government's intention of negotiating a quota for sugar beet production in the United Kingdom which represents a fair balance between the interests of cane and beet sugar producers and of pressing for a reduction in total Community sugar quotas; and confirms that recent developments in no way call into question the obligation towards developing country sugar producers which were accepted by the Community under the Lome Convention and which it wholeheartedly supports", instead thereof.(Mr. Peter Walker.)

The Question being proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question:—Debate arising:

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

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to European Economic Community Sugar Proposals may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Supply [9th allotted day].—The House again proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

European Economic Community Sugar Proposals: Their Effect on Employment in United Kingdom Refineries and on the Economies of Developing Countries.—The Question being again proposed, That the original words stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 242.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 300.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House notes with regret that both Tate and Lyle Limited and the British Sugar Corporation have had to announce closures following the contraction of the United Kingdom market for sugar; supports the Government's intention of negotiating a quota for sugar beet production in the United Kingdom which represents a fair balance between the interests of cane and beet sugar producers and of pressing for a reduction in total Community sugar quotas; and confirms that recent developments in no way call into question the obligation towards developing country sugar producers which were accepted by the Community under the Lome Convention and which it wholeheartedly supports.
Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Donald Thompson);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning:

*Wednesday, 18th February, 1981:*

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 Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.7 a.m.]

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**APPENDIX**

*Tuesday 17th February 1981*

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 13, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Finland consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8159].

Treaty Series (No. 12, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Freetown on 30th June 1980, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone on certain commercial debts [by Command] [Cmnd. 8163].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Food and Drugs,—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd February 1981, entitled the Food Labelling (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 137) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Town and Country Planning,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Local Government,—Copies of Orders, dated 9th February 1981, entitled—

(1) the Carmarthen and South Pembrokeshire (Areas) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 146), and

(2) the Preseli and South Pembrokeshire (Areas) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 145) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:


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

Community Land,—Copy of the Accounts of the Land Authority for Wales for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 165].
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 17th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill to the First Scottish Standing Committee; and the Abortion (Amendment) Regulations 1980 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 50.]

Wednesday, 18th February, 1981.

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.:  
County of Kent Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

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.:  
Humberside Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

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

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 Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords], the National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords], and the Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, were referred, That they had gone through the Bills 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 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. 173].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 173].

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-iii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-iii].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-xii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xii].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 41-iii].
Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 166-i].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 170-i].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report) [Excess Votes].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 175].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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) [Excess Votes (Northern Ireland)].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 176].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed her to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 172].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xii].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th February, together with an Appendix.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-i].

International Organisations Bill [Lords].—Mr. Ernest Armstrong reported from the Second Reading Committee on the International Organisations 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 International Organisations Bill [Lords] ought to be read a second time.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 167].

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from the Second Reading Committee on the Merchant Shipping 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 Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] ought to be read a second time.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 168].

Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords].—Mr. Paul Dean reported from the Second Reading Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints 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 Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords] ought to be read a second time.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 169].

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Sir Albert Costain reported from the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents, European Community Document No. 4049/80 concerning the harmonisation of income tax provisions with respect to freedom of movement for workers within the Community, together with the following Resolution:

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That this Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 4049/80 and the draft Council Directive concerning the harmonisation of income tax provisions with respect to freedom of movement for workers within the Community: and supports the Government's intention to negotiate satisfactory arrangements for those affected by the draft Directive.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 171].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the law relating to contempt of court and related matters; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Contempt of Court Bill [Lords]].

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].—The Contempt of Court Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 74].

Retail of Motor Fuel (Weights and Measures) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 6th March, the Retail of Motor Fuel (Weights and Measures) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, in respect of the Redundancy Fund Bill and the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill, if either Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further proceedings on that Bill shall stand postponed and that as soon as the proceedings on any Money Resolution come to by the House in relation to that Bill have been concluded, this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on that Bill.—(Mr. John Wakeham.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Export Guarantees (Extension of Period) (No. 3) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. John Wakeham.)

European Communities (Amendment).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the European Communities Act 1972, so as to provide that matters relating to the expenditure of the European Parliament shall be directly accountable to the Council of Ministers—(Mr. W. W. Hamilton);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Norman Hogg: 138.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Marlow, Mr. Michael Brown: 0.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. David Stoddart, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Dick Douglas, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. James Lamond, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Park, Mr. John Maxton, and Mr. Robert C. Brown, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

European Communities (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. W. W. Hamilton accordingly presented a Bill to amend the European Communities Act 1972, so as to provide that matters relating to the expenditure of the European Parliament shall be directly accountable to the Council of Ministers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th March and to be printed [Bill 73].

Redundancy Fund Bill.—The Redundancy Fund Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Further proceedings stood postponed pursuant to the Order this day.

Redundancy Fund [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Redundancy Fund [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to increase the limit imposed by section 109(2) of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 on the aggregate amount which may be borrowed by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the Redundancy Fund, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums to be paid into or out of the National Loans Fund in consequence of any provision of that Act providing that the limit imposed by that section may be increased to £300 million.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)
Redundancy Fund Bill.—The House, according to the Order this day, resolved itself into a Committee on the Redundancy Fund Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tony Newton reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) 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,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill.—The Question being again proposed, That the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) 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 Thursday morning;

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And the Question being put:—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.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Further proceedings stood postponed pursuant to the Order this day.

Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) [Money];

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise all such increased payments—

(a) out of the National Loans Fund, the Consolidated Fund and money provided by Parliament, and

(b) into the National Loans Fund and the Consolidated Fund,

as may result from any Act of this Session increasing to £6,000 million, or such greater sum not exceeding £7,000 million as the Secretary of State may by order specify, the sum specified in section 19 of the Iron and Steel Act 1975 as the aggregate of the amount which the British Steel Corporation and the publicly-owned companies may borrow and the amount which the Secretary of State may under section 18 of the 1975 Act pay to the Corporation.—(Mr. Norman Tebbit.)

Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill.—The House, according to the Order this day, resolved itself into a Committee on the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act 1911.
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Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Agricultural Trust (Abolition) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd February, be approved—(Mr. Adam Butler);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 64.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours : 6.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Agricultural Trust (Abolition) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd February, be approved.

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Museums (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd February, be approved.—(Mr. John Patten.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Four o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 4.07 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 18th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Inland Revenue.—Copy of the Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8160].

Supply Estimates, 1979-80.—Statement of the sums required to be voted to make good excesses on certain grants for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command] ; to be printed [No. 137].

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81.—Copy of a Note by the Financial Secretary to the Treasury on the Estimates of the further sums required to be voted for Civil and Defence services for the year ending 31st March 1981 [by Command].

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81.—Estimates of the further sums required to be voted for Defence services (Class I) for the year ending 31st March 1981 [by Command] ; to be printed [No. 138].

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81.—Estimates of the further sums required to be voted for Civil services (Classes II-XVII) for the year ending 31st March 1981 [by Command] ; to be printed [No. 139].

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 13th January 1981,
(2) 14th January 1981,
(3) 15th January 1981,
(4) 16th January 1981,
(5) 19th January 1981,
(6) 21st January 1981,
(7) 22nd January 1981,
(8) 23rd January 1981,
(9) 26th January 1981,
(10) 27th January 1981,
(11) 29th January 1981,
(12) 30th January 1981,
(13) 2nd February 1981,
(14) 3rd February 1981,
(15) 5th February 1981,
(16) 6th February 1981,
(17) 9th February 1981, and
(18) 11th February 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

International Development Association.—Copy of a Resolution of the International Development Association, dated 8th August 1980, on the replenishment of IDA resources: advance contributions [by Command] [Cmnd. 8156].
Mr. Secretary Younger:

Town and County Planning (Scotland).—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence (Votes A), 1981-82.—Estimates of the maximum numbers of personnel to be maintained for service with the Armed Forces during the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 123].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Medicines.—Copy of an Order, dated 11th February 1981, entitled the Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Clinical Trials) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 164) [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 Brightlingsea Harbour Revision (Financial Provisions) Order 1980 [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81.—Estimates of the further sums required to be voted for House of Commons: Administration (Class XIII A) for the service of the year ending 31st March 1981 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 144].

Statutory Instruments (Notification).—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Rule 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)]:—

The Social Security (Contributions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.

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 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 148].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Scottish Standing Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill, viz.: Mr. Dennis Canavan, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Alexander Fletcher, Mr. Peter Fraser, W. W. Hamilton, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. William McKelvey, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. John Maxton, Mr. Martin O’Neill, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Allan Stewart, Mr. Bill Walker, and Mr. Gordon Wilson.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1724), viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, William Bennyon, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Terry Davis, Mr. James A. Dunn, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mrs. Jill Knight, Dr. Oonagh McDonald, Dr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. Charles Morrison, Mr. Anthony Nelson, Mr. Tim Rathbone, Miss Jo Richardson, Mr. James White, and Sir George Young.
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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 26th February.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Wednesday 25th February at Seven o'clock.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th February.

British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill.—The British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Transport Docks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th February.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th February.

Lloyd's Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th February.

London Transport Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Transport Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 24th February.

Lloyds Bank Bill.—The Lloyds Bank Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr. Michael Hamilton reported from the Committee on the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday 25th February at half-past Ten o'clock.

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 19th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 158-ii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Fisheries Bill.—Mr. James Lamond reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Fisheries Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to establish a Sea Fish Industry Authority with the duty of promoting the efficiency of the sea fish industry in the United Kingdom; to provide financial assistance for that industry; to amend the law relating to the regulation of sea fishing; to make new provision in relation to fish farming; to amend the enactments relating to whales and the importation of live fish; to extend section 6 of the Freshwater and Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Act 1976 to the part of the River Tweed outside Scotland; to repeal section 5(3) of the Fishery Board (Scotland) Act 1882; and to enable the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland to incur expenditure on fishery protection in waters adjacent to Northern Ireland.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow ; and to be printed [Bill 75].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 179].

Water Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Water Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Increase of limits of expenses recoverable in relation to a water supply)—(Mr. Giles Shaw)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Charges for transferred water)—(Mr. Dafydd Wigley)—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 for leakage damage)—(Mr. Ted Graham)—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. 3 to 9) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

House of Commons Members’ Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Bill,—The House of Commons Members’ Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Right of certain past Members and widows or widowers of such Members to payments out of House of Commons Members’ Fund).

Amendments (Nos. 1 and 2) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 and 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Transfer from other pension schemes).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Donald Thompson: 192.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne, Mr. Robert Taylor: 8.

Clause No. 5 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton 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.

Members’ Pensionable Salary (Expression of Opinion).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the ordinary salary of every Member in respect of service on and after 13th June 1980 should be regarded for pension purposes as being at the rate of £13,150—(Mr. Francis Pym):—Debate arising:

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

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Motions relating to Members’ Pensionable Salary (Expression of Opinion), Members Pensionable Salary, Members’ Salaries, and Members’ Pensions may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Members’ Pensionable Salary (Expression of Opinion).—The Question being again proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the ordinary salary of every Member in respect of service on and after 13th June 1980 should be regarded for pension purposes as being at the rate of £13,150:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out “£13,150” and insert “£13,750”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Charles R. Morris.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr. Michael English: 44.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 121.
So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the ordinary salary of every Member in respect of service on and after 13th June 1980 should be regarded for pension purposes as being at the rate of £13,150.

Members' Pensionable Salary.—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Members' Pensionable Salary;

Resolved, That the ordinary salary of every Member in respect of service on and after 13th June 1980 shall be regarded for pension purposes as being at the rate of £13,150.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Members' Salaries.—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to give further consideration to the desirability and possible method of conducting reviews of Members' salaries by an independent body once during the first Session of each Parliament and of adjusting such salaries during the periods between such reviews by reference to increases in the remuneration of a designated group of outside occupations, and to make recommendations to the House.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Members' Pensions.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the annual amount of a Member's pension should continue to be one-sixtieth of relevant terminal salary for each year of reckonable service, and that Members should have a new option of limited duration to purchase additional reckonable service by lump sum, or by fixed instalments payable as a deduction from salary over a period of five years—(Mr. Francis Pym);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out the words "continue to be one-sixtieth" and insert the words "be one-fortieth", instead thereof. —(Mr. Charles R. Morris).

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr. Michael English : 49.
Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Carol Mather : 120.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the annual amount of a Member's pension should continue to be one-sixtieth of relevant terminal salary for each year of reckonable service, and that Members should have a new option of limited duration to purchase additional reckonable service by lump sum, or by fixed instalments payable as a deduction from salary over a period of five years.

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th January, be approved—(Mr. Donald Thompson);—It was agreed to.

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 20th January, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Atkins);—It was agreed to.

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.34 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 19th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 14, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the 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 Kingdom of Norway, of the other part, consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8164].
European Communities (No. 15, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the 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 Kingdom of Sweden, of the other part, consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8165].

European Communities (No. 16, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8167].

European Communities (No. 17, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the Agreement between the member states of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Republic of Iceland consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8168].

European Communities (No. 18, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the 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 Finland, of the other part, consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8169].


Treaty Series (No. 13, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at London on 18th November and 19th December 1980 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America, modifying the Agreement concerning the establishment on Ascension Island of an additional facility to be operated for the United States National Aeronautical and Space Administration of 7th July 1965 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8166].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th February 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Health Boards: Membership, Procedure and Payment of Subscriptions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 147) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Small Firms,—Copy of a consultative Document, entitled A New Form of Incorporation for Small Firms [by Command] [Cmnd. 8171].

Mr. Francis Pym:


1. the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Hong Kong Locally Engaged Ratings’ Attributable and Non-Attributable Death Awards) Order 1981,
2. the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Hong Kong Locally Engaged Ratings’ Disablement Awards) Order 1981,
3. the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Locally Engaged Ratings’ Disablement Awards) Order 1981,
4. the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Maltese Locally Engaged Ratings’ Service Pensions Increase) Order 1981,
5. the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Personnel Disablement Awards) Order 1981, and

[by Act].

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

National Loans Fund,—Copy of Accounts relating to issues from the National Loans Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 162].

National Savings Bank,—Copies of the Accounts of—

1. ordinary deposits and expenses of the National Savings Bank, and
2. the National Savings Bank Investment Account Fund

for 1979; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 177 and 178].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee D.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Insurance Companies Bill to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

MEMORANDA

Thursday 19th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Insurance Companies Bill to Standing Committee D (transferred from Standing Committee A).

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Insurance Companies Bill ; and Mr. John Spence Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Regulations 1980.

Friday, 20th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

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

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

Sir Anthony Meyer 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. Patrick Cormack, Mr. David Mellor : 48.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Stanley Newens, Mr. Harry Lamborn : 29.

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 Two o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 27th February.

Countryside (Scotland) Bill,—The Countryside (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).

Football Crowds (Control) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Football Crowds (Control) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 27th February.

Disabled Persons Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Disabled Persons Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 27th February.

European Legislation, &c. —Ordered, That the Standing Order of 2nd July 1979 relating to the nomination of the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., be amended, by adding Mr. Iain Mills.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas)
Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

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

[Adjourned at 3.9 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Friday 20th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Overseas Aid,—Draft of an Order, entitled the International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Local Government (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th February 1981, entitled the Local Authorities (Allowances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 172) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

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

Race Relations,—Copy of the Accounts of the Commission for Racial Equality for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 181].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Sir George Young (nominated in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1724)); and had appointed in substitution Dr. Gerard Vaughan.

[No. 53.]

Monday, 23rd February, 1981.

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.:

East Sussex Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

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.:

Lloyds Bank Bill.

Bill committed.

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

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 39-vii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 183-i].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Employment,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Scanlon to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means,—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a letter from Mr. Richard Crawshaw, O.B.E., T.D., D.L., announcing his resignation of the office of Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means ; and expressed the thanks of the House for his service in the Chair.

Gaelic Language Bill,—Mr. Bill Walker presented a Bill to promote broadcasting in Gaelic ; and to require local authorities in Gaelic speaking areas to promote the use of Gaelic in drama and music : And the same was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 76].

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Maximum Number of Judges Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Energy Conservation Bill [Lords],—The Energy Conservation 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).

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

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for regulating the design, construction and operation of certain energy-consuming appliances and otherwise with respect to the nation's use of energy, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) grants made by the Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury for the purposes of any scheme for the provision of advice with a view to promoting the conservation of energy ; and

(b) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown in consequence of the provisions of that Act.—(Mr. John Moore.)

Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) 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 and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

International Organisations Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the International Organisations 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 now be 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).
International Organisations [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to International Organisations [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision as to the privileges and immunities to be accorded in respect of certain international organisations and in respect of persons connected with such organisations and other persons, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act in the money payable out of money so provided under any other Act.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping 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 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 replace by amounts equivalent to special drawing rights of the International Monetary Fund the amounts in gold francs specified in certain provisions limiting the liability of shipowners and others, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any fees received by the Treasury in respect of certificates issued under that Act.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Income Tax: Freedom of Movement for Workers within the Community.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73B (Standing Committees on European Community Documents), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4049/80 and the draft Council Directive concerning the harmonisation of income tax provisions with respect to freedom of movement for workers within the Community; and supports the Government's intention to negotiate satisfactory arrangements for those affected by the draft Directive—(Mr. Robert Boscawen):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until sixteen minutes to Nine o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 8.44 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 23rd February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Francis Pym:


(1) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Disablement Awards) Order 1981, and
(2) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Widows' Attributable Pensions) Order 1981

[by Act].

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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petitions [5th February] from residents of Birmingham, Brighton and Lincoln praying against the proposals outlined in 'Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy' [by Standing Order]; to be printed.
Legal Aid and Advice.—Copy of the Report of the Law Society on the operation and finance of the Legal Aid Act 1974 for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Lord Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Legal Aid thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 160].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee D.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Ron Brown (nominated in respect of the Insurance Companies Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. John Fraser.

[No. 54.]

Tuesday, 24th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the County of Kent Bill [Lords] be read a second time upon Thursday.

Humberside Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the Humberside Bill [Lords] be read a second time upon Thursday.

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

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

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 24th February and a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Eleventh Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xviii].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xix].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-i].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 62-ii].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-x].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [174-ii].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House; And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report) [Monetary Policy].
Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 163].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 163].

Criminal Attempts Bill.—Mr. David Watkins reported from the Special Standing Committee on the Criminal Attempts Bill, That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 79].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 189].

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

Employment.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Scanlon to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Iron and Steel Bill.—Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, supported by Mr. Secretary Prior, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Norman Tebbit, and Mr. Michael Marshall, presented a Bill to modify the functions of the British Steel Corporation; to make further provision with respect to the finances of the Corporation and the publicly-owned companies; 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 77].

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the provisions of section 4 of the Vagrancy Act 1824, the Vagrancy Act 1935 and the provisions of section 64 of the Metropolitan Police Act 1839 which apply to sleeping rough; and to repeal the provisions of section 4 of the Vagrancy Act 1824 which apply to persons who are begging or who are found on enclosed premises: And that Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. David Ennals, Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Charles Irving, Mr. David Knox, Mr. David Alton, Mr. Dafydd Wigley, Miss Janet Fookes, and Mr. W. W. Hamilton, do prepare and bring it in.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill.—Mr. A. W. Stallard accordingly presented a Bill to repeal the provisions of section 4 of the Vagrancy Act 1824, the Vagrancy Act 1935 and the provisions of section 64 of the Metropolitan Police Act 1839 which apply to sleeping rough; and to repeal the provisions of section 4 of the Vagrancy Act 1824 which apply to persons who are begging or who are found on enclosed premises: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 6th March and to be printed [Bill 78].

Social Security Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Social Security 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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 304.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Ronald Leighton: 249.

So the Question 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).

Medical, Dental and Nursing Professions.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft European Communities (Medical, Dental and Nursing Professions) (Linguistic Knowledge) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved.—[Dr. Gerard Vaughan];

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 123.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. George Morton: 90.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft European Communities (Medical, Dental and Nursing Professions) (Linguistic Knowledge) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 11th February, be approved.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—[Mr. Donald Thompson]:—Debate arising;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

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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 twelve minutes past
Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.12 a.m.]
the Preamble to the Allied Irish Banks Bill 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.

Lloyds Bank 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 Lloyds Bank Bill 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.

Private Bills (Absence of a Member),—Mr. Michael Hamilton reported from the Committee on the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], That Mr. J. W. Rooker, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report) [RAF Pilot Training].

Report, together with Appendices to Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 53].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 53].

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-iii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-iii].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-xii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xii].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kerchav reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 166-iii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 183-iii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 192 and 174-iii].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-xi].

Spanish Congress of Deputies,—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had today sent a telegram to the President of the Spanish Congress of Deputies, Senior Lavilla, in the following terms:

I was shocked to hear of the outrage committed yesterday against the Congress of Deputies and against yourself as its President. You and the Deputies underwent a severe ordeal, and your conduct has earned the respect of parliamentarians throughout the democratic world. I offer the congratulations of the House of Commons on the happy outcome to a development which alarmed the friends of Spanish democracy.
Business of the House.—Ordered, That any remaining stages of the Gas Levy Bill may be taken immediately after the Report thereof notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the stages of Bills brought in upon Ways and Means Resolutions.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Rates (Limitation and Procedure for Increases).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to limit to the level of inflation rate increases made by local authorities, the Greater London Council and the Inner London Education Authority; to enable such authorities to raise additional monies from their ratepayers within one financial year only through one or more supplementary rates, each of which must be required to be paid before another one may be levied; to require no supplementary rate demand to exceed 25 per cent. of the initial rate increase; and to establish that both the Greater London Council and the Inner London Education Authority shall precept directly and independently on the ratepayers in their areas—(Mr. William Shelton);

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. William Shelton, Mr. Christopher Murphy: 126.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 175.

So the Question was negatived.

Gas Levy Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Gas Levy Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Gas Levy).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 12, to leave out “1980-81” and insert “1981-82.”—(Mr. Ted Rowlands.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Rate of levy).

Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 2, line 29, to leave out the words “three pence” and insert the words “one penny.”—(Mr. Ted Rowlands.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed, in page 2, line 33, to leave out the words “different from” and insert the words “lower than.”—(Mr. Ted Rowlands.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn: 153.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 190.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 3 to 7 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Cope reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke: 188.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. James Hamilton: 151.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

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

{Adjourned at 9.7 p.m.}

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 25th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1980-81,—Estimate of the further sums required to be voted for Civil Services (Class V, Vote 1) for the year ending 31st March 1981 [by Command] ; to be printed [No. 184].

Appropriations in Aid,—Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated 25th February 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Votes for—

(1) British Aerospace Public Limited Company, and
(2) Department of Trade (Class IV, Vote 8)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Monopolies and Mergers,—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply of liquefied petroleum gas in containers of 150 grams to 50 kilograms capacity [by Act]; to be printed [No. 147].


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Queen's University of Belfast (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Howell:


Mr. Francis Pym:


Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Oxford on 7th November 1980 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

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

Law Commissions,—Copy of the Report of the Law Commission for the period 1st November 1979 to 13th November 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 161].

National Biological Standards Board,—Copy of the Account of the National Biological Standards Board for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 191].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Allen McKay (nominated in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Joe Dean.
Standing Committee A.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Joe Ashton, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. David Crouch, Mr. Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr. Alex Eadie, Mr. Tim Eggar, Mr. Peter Emery, Mr. Archie Hamilton, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Patrick McNair-Wilson, Mr. John Moore, Mr. Peter Rost, Mr. Ted Rowlands, Mr. Edwin Wainwright, Mr. John Watson, and Mr. Frank R. White.

Standing Committee A.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Raymond Ellis, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. Warren Hawksley, Mr. John Horam, Sir Anthony Kershaw, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Richard Luce, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Roland Moyle, Mr. Reg Race, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. Leslie Spring, Mr. Neil Thorne, Mr. Dennis Walters, Mr. Ray Whitney, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

Standing Committee A.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the International Organisations Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Raymond Ellis, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. Warren Hawksley, Mr. John Horam, Sir Anthony Kershaw, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Richard Luce, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Roland Moyle, Mr. Reg Race, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. Leslie Spring, Mr. Neil Thorne, Mr. Dennis Walters, Mr. Ray Whitney, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

Standing Committee A.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Robert-Boscovwen, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Geoffrey Dickens, Mr. Peter Griffiths, Mr. Robert Hicks, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. Michael McGuire, Mr. Tom McNally, Mr. Eric Ogden, Mr. David Price, Mr. Neville Sandelson, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Neville Trotter, Mr. Patrick Wall, and Mr. David Young.

Standing Committee A.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Social Security Bill, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Tom Benyon, Mr. John Browne, Mr. Norman Buchan, Mr. Lynda Chalker, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Peter Griegths, Mr. Oonagh McDonald, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. Reg Race, Mr. J. W. Rooker, Mr. Hugh Rossi, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, and Mr. John Townend.

Second Scottish Standing Committee.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Countryside (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Tom Benyon, Mr. John Browne, Mr. Norman Buchan, Mr. Lynda Chalker, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Peter Griegths, Mr. Oonagh McDonald, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. Reg Race, Mr. J. W. Rooker, Mr. Hugh Rossi, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, and Mr. John Townend.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Maximum Number of Judges Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Peter Archer, Mr. Richard Bodley, Mr. Nicholas Bonsor, Mr. Robert Brown, Mr. Neil Carmichael, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. Edward Gardner, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Michael Havers, Mr. Douglas Hogg, Mr. Nicholas Lyell, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mr. W. R. Rees-Davies, Mr. Ernie Roberts, and Mr. John Rymon.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Export Guarantees (Extension of Period) (No. 3) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Robert Arkles, Sir Frederic Bennett, Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagley, Mr. David Gilroy Bevan, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Kenneth Carlisle, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Terence L. Higgins, Mr. George Park, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. Michael Spicer, and Mr. Tom Torney.

PRAYERS.

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

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 5th March.
British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The Order of the Day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Transport Docks Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

Lloyd's Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

London Transport Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Transport Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 5th March.

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

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—Mr. Michael Hamilton reported from the Committee on the Greater Manchester 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 had 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.

Private Bills (Absence of a Member).—Mr. Michael Hamilton reported from the Committee on the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], That Mr. J. W. Rooker, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 26th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15-vi].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-iv].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th January.

Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 112].

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.—Mr. Harry Gourlay reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, That they had gone through the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Monday 2nd March; and to be printed [Bill 80].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 194].
Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Iron and Steel (Borrowing Powers) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision with respect to deep sea mining operations; and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].—The Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 81].

Supply [10th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

The Crisis in the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deprecates the worsening crisis in the textile, clothing and footwear industries which is caused by Government economic, industrial and trading policies—(Mr. John Smith);

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:


Supply.—An Amendment was proposed to the Question (The Crisis in the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industries), in line 2, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question and add the words “this House acknowledges the difficult trading conditions facing the textile, clothing and footwear industries; notes the measures which the Government has taken to give these industries a wide range of protection; and believes their future is best assured by these measures and the pursuit of realistic policies designed to lower the rate of inflation and maintain access to export markets”; instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Biffen.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. George Morton: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 299.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House acknowledges the difficult trading conditions facing the textile, clothing and footwear industries; notes the measures which the Government has taken to give these industries a wide range of protection; and believes their future is best assured by these measures and the pursuit of realistic policies designed to lower the rate of inflation and maintain access to export markets.

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

Mr. David Penhaligon 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. Stephen Ross, Mr. David Penhaligon: 4.


So the Question was negatived.

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

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.38 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Thursday 26th February 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 12th February 1981,
(2) 13th February 1981,
(3) 16th February 1981, and
(4) 17th February 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 30th January 1981 on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Electricity,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
(1) 29th January 1981,
(2) 30th January 1981, and
(3) 4th February 1981
on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Treaty Series (No. 96, 1980),—Copy of the Fourth Supplementary List of ratifications, accessions, withdrawals, etc., for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8172].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Copy of the Report of the Law Society of Scotland on the Legal Aid Scheme for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages, Etc.,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th February 1981, entitled the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 241) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biflen:
Price Commission,—Copy of the Account of the Price Commission for the period 1st April 1979 to 4th May 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Command] [Cmnd. 8185].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) cardboard boxes, cartons and fibre-board packing cases,
(2) gas, and
(3) paper and board
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Building and Buildings,—Copy of a Paper on the future of building control in England and Wales [by Command] [Cmnd. 8179].


Mr. Francis Pym:

European Communities,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 18th February 1981, entitled the European Communities (Designation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 206) [by Act].


Fugitive Criminal,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 18th February 1981, entitled—
(1) the Extradition (Genocide) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 209),
(2) the Extradition (Hijacking) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 210),
(3) the Extradition (Internationally Protected Persons) (Amendment) Order 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 211),
(4) the Extradition (Protection of Aircraft) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981,
No. 212), and
213)
[by Act].

Mental Health,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 18th February 1981, entitled the
Patients’ Affairs (Financial Limits of Jurisdiction) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (S.I.,
1981, No. 235) [by Act].

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 18th February 1981, entitled—
(1) the Merchant Shipping Act 1974 (Guernsey) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 225),
(2) the Merchant Shipping (Load Lines Convention) (Countries) Order 1981 (S.I.,
1981, No. 230),
(3) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) Act 1971 (Guernsey) Order 1981 (S.I.,
1981, No. 224),
(4) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Belize) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I.,
1981, No. 214),
(5) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Bermuda) (Amendment) Order 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 215),
(6) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (British Virgin Islands) (Amendment)
Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 216),
(7) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Cayman Islands) (Amendment) Order
1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 217),
(8) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Falkland Islands) (Amendment) Order
1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 218),
(9) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Gibraltar) (Amendment) Order 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 219),
(10) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Hong Kong) (Amendment) Order 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 220),
(11) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Montserrat) (Amendment) Order 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 221),
(12) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Overseas Territories) (Amendment)
Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 222),
(13) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Turks and Caicos Islands) (Amend-ment)
Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 223), and
(14) the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention 1974) (Countries) Order 1981 (S.I.,
1981, No. 237)
[by Act].

Ministers of the Crown,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 18th February 1981, entitled—
(1) the Transfer of Functions (Arts, Libraries and National Heritage) Order 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 207), and
(2) the Transfer of Functions (Treasury and Lord Advocate) Order 1981 (S.I.,
1981, No. 239)
[by Act].

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 18th
February 1981, entitled the Employment Protection (Offshore Employment) (Amend-ment)
Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 208) [by Act].

Veterinary Surgeons,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 18th February 1981, entitled the Veterinary Surgeons Qualifications (EEC Recognition) (Greek Qualifications)

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

National Insurance Fund,—Copy of the Account of the National Insurance Fund for the
year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General
thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 195].

Tithes,—Copy of the Accounts of the Redemption Annuities Account and the Redemption
Stock Sinking Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the
Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 196].
MEMORANDUM
Thursday 26th February 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Albert Cossitt Chairman of Standing Committee G in respect of the Social Security Bill; Mr. Harry Gourlay and Mr. John Hunt Chairmen of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill; Mr. James Lamond Chairman of the Second Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Countryside (Scotland) Bill; Mr. Ifor Davies Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Maximum Number of Judges Order 1981; and Mr. David Watkins Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Export Guarantees (Extension of Period) (No. 3) Order 1981.

[No. 57.]

Friday, 27th February, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th February.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 78–iii].

Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 6th March, the Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 12th June.

Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.—Ordered, That the Right Honourable Ernest Armstrong be appointed Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.—(Mr. Francis Pym).

Horserace Betting Levy Bill.—The Horserace Betting Levy Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committing of Bills).

Development of Tourism (Scotland) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Development of Tourism (Scotland) Bill:

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

Mr. Gordon Wilson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Mr. Gordon Wilson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 6th March.

Homeworkers (Protection) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Homeworkers (Protection) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.
British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 15th May.

Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

Domestic Rating (Abolition) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Domestic Rating (Abolition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 6th February, That the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 8th May.

Freedom of Association Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Freedom of Association Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 13th February, That the Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 13th March.

Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) 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).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

Disabled Persons Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Disabled Persons Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 6th March.

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

And the Question having been proposed after half-past Two 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 three minutes past Three o'clock, till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.3 p.m.

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**APPENDIX**

_Friday 27th February 1981_

_Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:_

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—

(1) grain milling,
(2) jute,
(3) margarine,
(4) musical instruments,
(5) soap and detergents, and
(6) sugar

[by Act].
Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Clean Air,—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th February 1981, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 192) [by Act].

(1) the Town and Country Planning General Development (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 245), and
[by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


Sea Fisheries,—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 26th February 1981, entitled the Fishing Nets (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 281),
(2) an Order, dated 26th February 1981, entitled the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 282), and
[by Act].

[No. 58.]


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

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill,—The Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

East Sussex Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the East Sussex Bill [Lords] be read a second time upon Thursday.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix).

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 2nd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 39-viii].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 2nd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xiii].

Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 1st May, the Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 12th June.

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords];

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. Carol Mather, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 137.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Christopher Price: 25.

So the Question 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).
Contempt of Court [Money],—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Contempt of Court [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to contempt of court and related matters, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act.—(Mr. Peter Brooke).

Countryside (Scotland) [Money],—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Countryside (Scotland) [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the better enjoyment of the Scottish countryside, and as respects the Countryside Commission for Scotland; and to amend the Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament under any other enactment of any increase in such sums attributable to any such Act of the present Session.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.40 p.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 2nd March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Interception of Communications,—Copy of a Report on the interception of communications in Great Britain [by Command] [Cmnd. 8191].

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

European Communities,—Copy of a Statement on the 1981 Community budget [by Command] [Cmnd. 8187].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copies of Orders, dated 23rd February 1981, entitled—

(1) the Lotteries (Gaming Board Fees) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 251), and
(2) the Lotteries (Registration Authority Fees) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 252)

[by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Overseas Pensions,—Copy of a Scheme dated 28th January 1981, entitled the Governors Pension (Amendment) Scheme 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Social Services,—Copy of a Paper, entitled Growing Older [by Command] [Cmnd. 8173].

Mr. Attorney General:

County of Avon Bill [Lords],—Report of the Attorney General on the County of Avon Bill [Lords] [pursuant to Standing Order 158 (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations)].

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

Paper withdrawn and Order to lie upon the Table discharged:

Town and Country Planning Act (Scotland),—Draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 [laid 18th February].
MEMORANDA

Monday 2nd March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Horserace Betting Levy Bill and the Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee C.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. R. Bonner Pink an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Forestry Bill.

[No. 59.]

Tuesday, 3rd March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Lloyds Bank Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Lloyds Bank Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twelfth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xx].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 3rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 117-ii].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 62-iii].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-v].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xiv].

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-iv].

British Telecommunications Bill.—Mr. R. C. Mitchell reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the British Telecommunications Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 85].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 202].
Forestry Bill,—Mr. R. Bonner Pink reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Forestry Bill, and had 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. 199].

Insurance Companies Bill,—Mr. Paul Dean reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Insurance Companies 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. 200].

Education, Science and Arts,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Redcliffe-Maud to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee.—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

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

The Lords have agreed to the Redundancy Fund Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Pet Animals Act 1951 regulating the sale of pet animals; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Pet Animals Act 1951 (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

Education, Science and Arts,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Redcliffe-Maud to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Companies Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Companies Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 20th March.

Dogs (Control),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the further control of dogs; and for connected purposes; And that Mr. Andrew Bennett, Miss Janet Fookes, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Tom McNally, Mr. Tony Marlow, Mr. Bob Cryer, and Mr. James Lamond, do prepare and bring it in.

Dogs (Control) Bill,—Mr. Andrew Bennett accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the further control of dogs; and for connected purposes; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th March and to be printed [Bill 83].

The Independent Strategic Deterrent,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House endorses the Government's decision to maintain a strategic nuclear deterrent and the choice of the Trident missile system as the successor to the Polaris force.—(Mr. Secretary Nott);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 316.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank R. White: 248.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House endorses the Government's decision to maintain a strategic nuclear deterrent and the choice of the Trident missile system as the successor to the Polaris force.

Town and Country Planning,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 17th February, be approved—(Mr. Giles Shaw);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke: 128.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Allen McKay: 91.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 17th February, be approved.
Town and Country Planning (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put. That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 2nd March, be approved—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad); The House proceeded to a Division.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning:

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Thompson, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 127.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Joe Dean: 89.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 2nd March, be approved.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad):—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-six minutes to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day. [Adjourned at 12.34 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 3rd March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Marriage,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th February 1981, entitled the Marriage Fees (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 204) [by Act].

Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages, etc.—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th February 1981, entitled the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 203) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence (Army),—Copy of an Order, dated 15th December 1980, entitled the Ulster Defence Regiment Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Social Security,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Biotechnology,—Copy of a Paper on biotechnology [by Command] [Cmnd. 8177].

Iron and Steel,—Statement of determination of the salaries of members of the British Steel Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Rating and Valuation,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Transport Boards (Adjustment of Payments) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Enterprise Zones (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

Rates,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th February 1981, entitled the Rates (Regional Rate and Reduction of Regional Rate on Dwellings) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1981, No. 47) [by Act].

Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th February 1981, entitled the Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1981, No. 45) [by Act].
Mr. Francis Pym:

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 Borough of Blackburn St. Paul’s Church and Churchyard Compulsory Purchase Order 1980 [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Health and Safety.—Copy of the Accounts of the Health and Safety Commission and the Health and Safety Executive for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 201].

Scottish Development Agency.—Copy of the Accounts of the Scottish Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 198].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Frank R. White (nominated in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Joe Dean.

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Joe Dean (nominated in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Geoffrey Lofthouse.

Standing Committee B.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Giles Radice (nominated in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords]) to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

Standing Committee D.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the International Organisations Bill [Lords] to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

Standing Committee E.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee E Mr. Robert Parry (nominated in respect of the Transport Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Don Dixon.

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 3rd March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee A; the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee A); the International Organisations Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee D (transferred from Standing Committee A); and the draft Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
**PRAYERS.**

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

Barnsley Borough Council 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 Barnsley Borough Council 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.

Charterhouse Japhet 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 Charterhouse Japhet Bill 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.

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-vil].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th February.

Appendices to Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-i].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-iv].

European Legislation, &c,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-xiii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xiii].

European Legislation, &c,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 208-i].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 170-ii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 206-i].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 204].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
Social Services.—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 31-xv].

Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 28-xii].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Ifor Davies reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Maximum Number of Judges Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 23rd February.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 210].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. David Watkins reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Export Guarantees (Extension of Period) (No. 3) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 18th February.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 203].

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. John Spence reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Abortion (Amendment) Regulations 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1724), referred to a Committee on 16th February.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 209].

Gaelic Language Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Gaelic Language Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

Consumer Credit Act 1974 (Amendment).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend sections 52 and 53 of the Consumer Credit Act 1974 in order to require building societies to follow ' truth in lending ' policies when providing to prospective borrowers information about the financial terms on which mortgages are offered and when displaying such information: And that Mr. Ken Weetch, Mr. Jim Craigen, Mr. Peter Fry, Mr. Leslie Spriggs, Mr. Ken Woolmer, and Mr. Peter Hardy, do prepare and bring it in.

Consumer Credit Act 1974 (Amendment) Bill,—Mr. Ken Weetch accordingly presented a Bill to amend sections 52 and 53 of the Consumer Credit Act 1974 in order to require building societies to follow ' truth in lending ' policies when providing to prospective borrowers information about the financial terms on which mortgages are offered and when displaying such information: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June and to be printed [Bill 85].

Fisheries [Money] (No. 2),—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Fisheries [Money] (No. 2);

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to establish a Sea Fish Industry Authority with the duty of promoting the efficiency of the sea fish industry in the United Kingdom, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by Ministers—

(a) to fulfil guarantees given by them in connection with borrowing by the Authority; or

(b) to make grants to the Authority in respect of—

(i) expenses incurred by the Authority in fulfilling guarantees given to assist co-operatives; or

(ii) losses incurred by the Authority where the Authority have borrowed money in one currency and lent it in another.—(Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith.)

Fisheries Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Fisheries Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Government Guarantees) — (Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Government Grants) — (Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Licensing of vessels receiving trans-shipped fish) — (Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Enforcement of provisions as to trans-shipment) — (Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Offences committed by bodies corporate) — (Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith) — brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Consultative Committee)—(Mr. Gavin Strang)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 1, to leave out the word “six” and insert the word “twelve”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Peter Brooke : 183.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Donald Coleman : 139.

Another Amendment (No. 2) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 33, at the end, to insert the words—

“(5) It shall be a duty of the Authority to establish and operate a deficiency payments scheme to protect the livelihoods of those involved in the sea fish industry.”.—(Mr. Gavin Strang.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Austin Mitchell : 125.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. John Cope : 169.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 34, at the end, to insert the words—

“(5) It shall be the duty of the Authority, if requested by any section of a trade union representing any section of employees in the industry, to publish reports comparing the employment practice in the industry with other industrial workers.”.—(Mr. Kevin McNamara.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 5 and 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 9, at the end, to insert the words—

“(g) to make regulations to ensure operational safety in any matters relating to the fish industry, to appoint inspectors to ensure compliance with such regulations, and to keep records of accidents in this respect.”.—(Mr. Robert Hughes.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. James Hamilton : 93.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Carol Mather : 142.

Another Amendment (No. 8) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 9, at the end, to insert the words—

“(g) to make provision for the decasualisation of full-time employee fishermen not being share fishermen, to ensure that no such full-time fisherman by reason of his employment shall fail to benefit from social security legislation available to industrial workers not so engaged.”.—(Mr. Kevin McNamara.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Austin Mitchell : 91.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Donald Thompson : 148.

Other Amendments (Nos. 9 to 12, 15 to 27, 27A, 28, 29, and 31) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 32) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 1, to leave out Clause 33.—(Mr. A. J. Beith.)

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, at this day’s sitting, the Fisheries Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Cope.)
Fisheries Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Fisheries Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 32) be made to the Bill:—Debate resumed.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 33, 34, 36 and 37) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Overseas Aid.—Resolved, That the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 20th February, be approved.—(Mr. Douglas Hurd.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 5th March, 1981:

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 twenty-one minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.21 a.m.]

**APPENDIX I**

**Wednesday 4th March 1981**

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

National Health Service,—Copies of Regulations, dated 2nd March 1981, entitled—

1. the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges and Remission of Charges) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 307), and
2. the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 305)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Civil Aviation,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981 [by Act].

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

Highlands and Islands Development (Scotland),—Copy of the Accounts of the Highlands and Islands Development Board for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 207].

**APPENDIX II**

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords], viz: Mr. Peter Archer, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Nicholas Baker, Mr. Keith Best, Mr. Michael Brotherton, Mr. Donald Dewar, Mr. Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr. Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Nicholas Lyell, Mr. Edward Lyoss, Mr. John Morris, Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. John Rymman, Mr. Jeffrey Thomas, and Mr. James Tinn.

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Horse-race Betting Levy Bill, viz.: Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. Edward du Cann, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Bruce George, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Eldon Griffiths, Mr. Archie Hamilton, Mr. Frank Heynes, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Marcus Kimball, Mr. John Major, Mr. Charles Morrison, Mr. Timothy Raison, Mr. W. R. Rees-Davies, Dr. Shirley Sommer-skill, Mr. Michael Welsh, and Mr. Nicholas Winterton.
Standing Committee D.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Robert Maclean and Mr. Mike Thomas (nominated in respect of the International Organisations Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robert Litherland and Mr. Giles Radice.

Standing Committee G.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee G Mr. Norman Buchan (nominated in respect of the Social Security Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. David Atkinson, Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Graham Bright, Sir Paul Bryan, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Joan Evans, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Sir Nigel Fisher, Mr. Charles Irving, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Michael Meacher, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Tom Urwin, and Mr. Kenneth Warren.

[No. 61.]

Thursday, 5th March, 1981.

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 Meredith Francis Maguire, Esquire, Member for Fermanagh and South Tyrone, 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.

British Railways Bill,—The British Railways Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 10th March at Seven o'clock.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th March.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th March.

Lloyd's Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th March.

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th March.

Humberside Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th March.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th March.

East Sussex Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Sussex Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 12th March.
Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 5th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 38-vi].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-committee on 5th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 211-i].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, 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) [Inward Invest- ment: The Government's Reply to the Committee's Second Report of Session 1979-80].

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 205].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Home Affairs,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Chancellor to attend to be examined as a witness before the Home Affairs Committee.—(Sir Graham Page.)

Foreign Affairs,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Bridges to attend to be examined as a witness before the Overseas Development Sub-committee appointed by the Foreign Affairs Committee.—(Mr. Kevin McNamara.)

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

Foreign Affairs,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Bridges to attend to be examined as a witness before the Overseas Development Sub-committee appointed by the Foreign Affairs Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Home Affairs,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Chancellor to attend to be examined as a witness before the Home Affairs Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Access Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Access Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

Disabled Persons Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Disabled Persons Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 13th March.

Supply [11th allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

The Disastrous Effects of Cuts on the Educational Service,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, recognising the direct relationship between the maintenance and enhancement of educational standards and an appropriate investment of resources and the fundamental importance of this investment in the struggle for national economic recovery, notes with grave concern the Report by Her Majesty's Inspectorate on "The Effects on the Educational Service in England of Local Authority Expenditure Policies—Financial Year 1980-81"; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to undertake positive action to safeguard standards of provision, opportunity and performance in education.—(Mr. Neil Kinnock);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House notes the Report by Her Majesty's Inspectorate on "The Effects on the Educational Service in England of Local Authority Expenditure Policies—Financial Year 1980-81"; and whilst recognising the need to restrain public expenditure expresses confidence in the ability of the education service in England, through the co-operation of all its partners, to secure maximum educational value from the extensive resources which continue to be available to it", instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Carlisle.)
And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton: 233.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 299.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House notes the Report by Her Majesty's Inspectorate on "The Effects on the Educational Service in England of Local Authority Expenditure Policies—Financial Year 1980-81", and whilst recognising the need to restrain public expenditure expresses confidence in the ability of the education service in England, through the co-operation of all its partners, to secure maximum education value from the extensive resources which continue to be available to it.

And it being after Ten o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded to put forthwith the Questions which he was directed by paragraphs (7) and (11) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply) to put at that hour.

Defence Estimates, 1981-82 (Navy)

Vote A

The Question being put, That during the year ending on 31st March 1982 a number not exceeding 78,000 Officers, Ratings and Royal Marines be maintained for Naval Service:—It was agreed to.

Defence Estimates, 1981-82 (Army)

Vote A

The Question being put, That during the year ending on 31st March 1982 a number not exceeding 190,000 all ranks be maintained for Army Service, a number not exceeding 60,000 for the Regular Reserve, a number not exceeding 84,400 for the Territorial Army and a number not exceeding 12,600 for the Ulster Defence Regiment:—It was agreed to.

Defence Estimates, 1981-82 (Air)

—— Vote A

The Question being put, That during the year ending on 31st March 1982 a number not exceeding 98,000 all ranks be maintained for Air Force Service, a number not exceeding 10,775 for the Royal Air Force Reserve and a number not exceeding 1,000 for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force:—It was agreed to.

Defence Supplementary Estimates, 1980-81

The Question being put, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £378,129,000 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 1981 for expenditure on Defence Services, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 138:—It was agreed to.

Civil Supplementary Estimates, 1980-81

The Question being put, That a further supplementary sum not exceeding £1,786,623,000 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 1981 for expenditure on Civil Services, as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 139 and 184:—It was agreed to.

Civil Supplementary Estimates (Class XIII A), 1980-81

The Question being put, That a sum not exceeding £1,416,000 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 1980, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 137:—It was agreed to.
Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the four foregoing Resolutions: And that
the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Leon
Brittan, Mr. Nigel Lawson, and Mr. Peter Rees, do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.—Mr. Nigel Lawson accordingly presented a Bill to apply
certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st
March 1980 and 1981: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a
second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 82].

Armed Forces Bill.—Ordered, That Mr. Robert Atkins, Mr. Keith Best, Mr. Robert C.
Brown, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Mr. Bruce George, Mr. Philip
Goodhart, Mr. David Hunt, Mr. Cyril D. Townsend, Mr. David Trippier, and Mr.
James Wellbeloved, be members of the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill.

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

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. John Stradling
Thomas.)

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

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

APPENDIX I

Thursday 5th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Clean Air.—Copy of an Order, dated 6th February 1981, entitled the Smoke Control
Areas (Exempted Fireplaces) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 249) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Health and Safety.—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th February 1981, entitled the
Mines and Quarries (Fees for Approvals) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981,
No. 270) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Nature Conservancy Council.—Copy of the Report of the Nature Conservancy
Council for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 159].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Northern Ireland.—Copy of the Report of the Standing Advisory Commission on
Human Rights for the year ended 31st October 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 143].

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 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and
Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 213].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection,
That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Ted Rowlands (nominated
in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution
Mr. Geoffrey Lofthouse.

Standing Committee B.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had
discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. John Horam, Mr. Richard Luce, and Mr.
Ian Wrigglesworth (nominated in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Cons-
sular Complaints) Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Peter Blaker,
Mr. Tom Cox, and Mr. Stanley Newens.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported
from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on
Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Tom Urwin (nominated in respect of the draft
Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981);
and had appointed in substitution Mr. Allan Roberts.
MEMORANDUM

Thursday 5th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairman of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Michael English Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords]; Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords]; and Mr. John Spence Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, etc., in respect of the draft Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981.

[No. 62.]

Friday, 6th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill,—The Zoo Licensing (No. 2) 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).

Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill,—The Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) 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).

Small Firms Expansion (Inquiry) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Firms Expansion (Inquiry) 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 half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 1st May.

Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill,—The Local Government and Planning (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).

Bill of Rights Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill of Rights Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

Motor Cycle Crash Helmets (Secular Principles Objection) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Motor Cycle Crash Helmets (Secular Principles Objection) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 13th March.

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

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

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Friday 6th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 19th February 1981,
(2) 20th February 1981,
(3) 23rd February 1981, and
(4) 25th February 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Electricity.—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on
(1) 25th February 1981, and
(2) 25th February 1981
on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Fees and Charges.—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th February 1981, entitled the
Measuring Instruments (EEC Pattern Approval Requirements) (Fees) Regulations 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 279) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Landlord and Tenant.—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th February 1981, entitled the
Rent Assessment Committee (England and Wales) (Leasehold Valuation Tribunals)

Mines and Quarries.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th February 1981, entitled the
Ironstone Restoration Fund (Standard Rate) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 277) [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Sugar.—Copy of an Order, dated 26th February 1981, entitled the Sugar Beet
(Research and Education) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 292) [by Act].

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

Employment and Training.—Copy of the Accounts of the Manpower Services Commission
(including the Professional and Executive Recruitment Service) for the year ended 31st
March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by
Act]; to be printed [No. 215].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That
they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Roland Moyle (nominated in
respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords]); and
had appointed in substitution Mr. Giles Radice.

[No. 63.]

Monday, 9th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Allied Irish Banks Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Allied Irish Banks Bill, as
amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Charterhouse Japhet Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Charterhouse Japhet Bill,
as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science
and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence
taken before them on 9th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-v].
Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 206-ii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House; And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report) [Acceptance of Outside Appointments by Crown Servants].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 216].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 216].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Transport Bill (Allocation of Time).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Bill:

Committee
1. The Standing Committee to which the Bill is allocated shall report the Bill to the House on or before the 31st day of March 1981.

Report and Third Reading
2.—(1) The proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed in one allotted day and shall be brought to a conclusion one hour after midnight on that day; and for the purposes of Standing Order No. 43 (Business Committee) this Order shall be taken to allot to the proceedings on Consideration such part of that day as the Resolution of the Business Committee may determine.

(2) The Business Committee shall report to the House their Resolutions as to the proceedings on Consideration of the Bill, and as to the allocation of time between those proceedings and proceedings on Third Reading, not later than the fourth day on which the House sits after the day on which the Chairman of the Standing Committee reports the Bill to the House.

(3) The Resolutions in any Report made under Standing Order No. 43 may be varied by a further Report so made, whether or not within the time specified in subparagraph (2) above, and whether or not the Resolutions have been agreed to by the House.

(4) The Resolutions of the Business Committee may include alterations in the order in which proceedings on Consideration of the Bill are taken.

Procedure in Standing Committee
3.—(1) At a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion under a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee under any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until the proceedings have been brought to a conclusion.

(2) No Motion shall be moved in the Standing Committee relating to the sittings of the Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Chairman shall permit a brief explanatory statement from the Member who moves, and from a Member who opposes, the Motion, and shall then put the Question thereon.

4. No Motion shall be moved to vary the order in which the Bill is, by virtue of the Resolution of the Standing Committee of 22nd January, to be considered by the Standing Committee but the Resolutions of the Business Sub-Committee may vary that order.

Conclusion of proceedings in Committee
5. On the conclusion of the proceedings in any Committee on the Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.
Dilatory Motions

6. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, proceedings on the Bill shall be moved in the Standing Committee or on an allotted day except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

Extra time on allotted days

7.—(1) On an allotted day paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings on the Bill for three hours after Ten o'clock.

(2) Any period during which proceedings on the Bill may be proceeded with after Ten o'clock under paragraph (7) of Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) shall be in addition to the said period of three hours.

(3) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 stands over from an earlier day, a period of time equal to the duration of the proceedings upon that Motion shall be added to the said period of three hours.

Private Business

8. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o'clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o'clock, for a period equal to the time elapsed between Seven o'clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

Conclusion of proceedings

9.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee or the Business Sub-Committee and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others), that is to say—

(a) any Questions already proposed from the Chair;

(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill);

(c) the Question on any Amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of any Member if that Amendment or Motion is moved by a member of the Government;

(d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded; and on a Motion so moved for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(3) If an allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) would, apart from this Order, stand over to Seven o'clock—

(a) that Motion shall stand over until the conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time;

(b) the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

(4) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill, which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

Supplemental orders

10.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion moved in the House by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order (including anything which might have been the subject of a Report of the Business Committee or Business Sub-Committee) shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.
(2) If on an allotted day on which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before that time no notice shall be required of a Motion moved at the next sitting by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

Saving

11. Nothing in this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee or Business Sub-Committee shall—
(a) prevent any proceedings to which the Order or Resolution applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by the Order or Resolution, or
(b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken on that day.

Re-committal

12.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on Consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings, at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of, re-committal.

(2) On an allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to re-commit the Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any Amendment moved to the Question.

Interpretation

13. In this Order—

"allotted day" means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as the first Government Order of the day provided that a Motion for allotting time to the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a previous day, or is set down for consideration on that day;

"the Bill" means the Transport Bill;

"Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee" means a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee as agreed to by the Standing Committee;

"Resolution of the Business Committee" means a Resolution of the Business Committee as agreed to by the House—(Mr. Francis Pym):—Debate arising;

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr. Speaker proceeded to put the Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, pursuant to Standing Order No. 44 (Allocation of time to Bills).

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 303.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Allen McKay: 235.

So the Question was agreed to.

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 20th February, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

Export Guarantees,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Export Guarantees (Extension of Period) (No. 3) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 27th January, be approved—(Mr. Peter Brooke):—It was agreed to.

Judges,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Maximum Number of Judges Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 16th February, be approved—(Mr. Peter Brooke):—It was agreed to.

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.58 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Monday 9th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Industrial Organisation and Development.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Hosiery and Allied Trades Research Association for the year ended 30th September 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Giles Radice (nominated in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Roland Moyle.

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Sir George Young (nominated in respect of the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Hugh Rossi.

MEMORANDA

Monday 9th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker nominated the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee A); and the Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill, the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill and the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords]; and Mr. David Watkins Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the International Organisations Bill [Lords].

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 74 (Business sub-committees), Mr. Speaker nominated the following members of Standing Committee E to be members of the Business Sub-Committee to consider the Allocation of Time Order relating to the Transport Bill: Mr. R. Bonner Pink (Chairman), Mr. Albert Booth, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. John Prescott, and Mr. Geoffrey Robinson.

[No. 64.]

Tuesday, 10th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Lloyds Bank Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Lloyds Bank Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill 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).

Financial Statement and Budget Report 1981-82,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Financial Statement and Budget Report 1981-82 as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
Defence.—Sir John Langlord-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 218-ii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

International Organisations Bill [Lords].—Mr. David Watkins reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the International Organisations Bill [Lords], and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 87].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 219].

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 proposed to be moved by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer—

(a) Spirits (Motion No. 2)
(b) Beer (Motion No. 3)
(c) Wine (Motion No. 4)
(d) Made-wine (Motion No. 5)
(e) Cider (Motion No. 6)
(f) Tobacco products (Motion No. 7)
(g) Matches and mechanical lighters (Motion No. 8)
(h) Hydrocarbon oil etc. (Motion No. 10)
(i) Vehicles excise duty (Motion No. 11)
(j) Value added tax: registration (Motion No. 13)—(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—

(a) any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—
   (i) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;
   (ii) for refunding any amount of tax;
   (iii) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or
   (iv) for any relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description; or
   (b) any amendment relating to the surcharge imposed by the National Insurance Surcharge Act 1976 and applying to some only of the persons by or in respect of whom the surcharge is payable—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—Debate arising;

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

Debate to be resumed to-morrow.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The British Railways (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Local Government, Planning and Land (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 29th January, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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 past Eleven o'Clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.22 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Tuesday 10th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer:

- Public Expenditure,—Copy of a Paper, entitled the Government's Expenditure Plans, 1981-82 to 1983-84 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8175].

Mr. Leon Brittan:

- Supply Estimates, 1981-82,—Copy of a Memorandum on the Supply Estimates for the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8184].

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

- Supply Estimates, 1981-82,—Estimates for Defence and Civil Services (Classes I to XVIII) for the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 190].
- Financial Statement 1981-82,—Copy of the Financial Statement and Budget Report 1981-82, as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget [pursuant to the Order this day]; to be printed [No. 197].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

- Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th February 1981, entitled the Lotteries (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 303) [by Act].
- Landlord and Tenant,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd February 1981, entitled the Increase of Rent Restriction (Housing Association) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 278) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

- Housing,—Copies of—
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:

- Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated 23rd February 1981, entitled—
  (1) the Bus Services in Trial Areas Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 269),
  (2) the Community Bus (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 263),
(4) the Operation of Public Service Vehicles (Partnership) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 259),
(5) the Public Service Vehicle Operators (Qualifications) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 266),
(6) the Public Service Vehicles and Trolley Vehicles (Carrying Capacity) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 260),
(7) the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 257),
(8) the Public Service Vehicles (Drivers' and Conductors' Licences) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 265),
(9) the Public Service Vehicles (Exemptions from Prohibitions) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 262),
(10) the Public Service Vehicles (Operators' Licences) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 258), and
(11) the Public Service Vehicles (Road Service Licences and Express Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 264)
[by Act].


Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Supply Estimates, 1981-82,—Estimates for House of Commons Administration (Class XIII A) for the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 193].

Statutory Instruments,—Report to the Lord Chancellor and to Mr. Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee, That they have considered a notification from the Department of the Environment made in accordance with Regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 in respect of the 48 deposited Schedules referred to in the Greater London Council (Transfer of Land and Housing Accommodation) Order 1981, and have taken no further action in the matter.

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

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 30),—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Closure of Debate.

Trustees,—Copy of Rules, dated 9th March 1981, entitled the Public Trustee (Custodian Trustee) Rules 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 358) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Edward Lyons (nominated in respect of the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Greville Janner.

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Peter Emery (nominated in respect of the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Mellor.

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 10th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Employment and Training Bill to Standing Committee D (transferred from Standing Committee A); the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the draft Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
Wednesday, 11th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Lloyds Bank Bill.—The Lloyds Bank Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

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 Animal Health Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, 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 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. 227].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 227].

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 Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, 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 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. 228].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 228].

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 draft Public Order (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 and the draft Planning Blight (Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 were referred, That they had gone through the Orders, 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 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. 229].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 229].

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 223-i].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-iv].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Appendices to Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-iv].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-v].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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).
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xiv].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xiv].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 208-ii].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 41-iv].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 41-v].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 221-iv].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 226-i].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xvi].

Indecent Displays (Control) Bill,—Mr. Michael Shaw reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 1st May; and to be printed [Bill 90].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 224].

Countryside (Scotland) Bill,—Mr. James Lomond reported from the Second Scottish Standing Committee, That they had gone through the Countryside (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 15th May; and to be printed [Bill 89].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 222].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c,—Mr. John Spence reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 2nd March.
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 220].

Foreign Affairs,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Bethell to attend to be examined as a witness before the Foreign Affairs Committee.—(Sir Anthony Kershaw.)

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
Foreign Affairs,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Bethell to attend to be examined as a witness before the Foreign Affairs Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 121) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)
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Prisoners' Rights.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide a statutory basis for the rights of prisoners and to make those rights enforceable—(Mr. Alf Dubs);

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. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Clive Soley: 117.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. Richard Alexander: 135.

So the Question was negatived.

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—

(a) any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—
   (i) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;
   (ii) for refunding any amount of tax;
   (iii) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or
   (iv) for any relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description; or

(b) any amendment relating to the surcharge imposed by the National Insurance Surcharge Act 1976 and applying to some only of the persons by or in respect of whom the surcharge is payable;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate. Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Debate to be resumed to-morrow.

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.26 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 11th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Local Government (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd March 1981, entitled the Local Authorities (Allowances) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 333) [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 2nd March 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 559), and

(2) 4th March 1981, entitled the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 360) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:
Local Government,—Copies of Regulations, dated 2nd March 1981, entitled—
(1) the Block Grant (Education Adjustments) (England) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 312), and

(2) the Rate Support Grants (Adjustment of Needs Element) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 311) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Civil Aviation,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 2nd March 1981, entitled the Civil Aviation (Air Travel Organisers' Licensing) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 314),
(2) 6th March 1981, entitled the Civil Aviation (Route Charges for Navigation Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 355), and
[by Act].

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 2nd March 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 313),
(2) 5th March 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 354), and
(3) 9th March 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 363)
[by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) brushes and brooms,
(2) dyestuffs and pigments,
(3) linoleum, plastics floor-covering, leathercloth, etc.,
(4) manufactured stationery,
(5) miscellaneous manufactures of paper and board,
(6) miscellaneous stationers' goods,
(7) pharmaceutical chemicals and preparations, and
(8) rubber
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Local Government,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(3) 5th March 1981, entitled the Local Government (Direct Labour Organisations) (Competition) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 340), and
[by Act].


Rating and Valuation,—Copies of—
(3) Rules, dated 4th March 1981, entitled the Rate-demands Rules 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 328), and
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Coal Industry,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Mineworkers' Pension Scheme (Limit on Contributions) Order 1981, and
(2) the Redundant Mineworkers and Concessionary Coal (Payments Schemes) (Amendment) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Northern Ireland.—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th March 1981, entitled the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 367) [by Act].

Road Traffic.—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th March 1981, entitled the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 366) [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture.—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 5th March 1981, entitled the Eggs Authority (Rates of Levy) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 343),

(2) Regulations, dated 3rd March 1981, entitled the Milk Marketing Boards (Special Conditions) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 322), and


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

Crown Estate.—Copy of the Accounts of the Crown Estate Commissioners for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 225].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee D.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Employment and Training Bill to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981, viz.: Mr. Jack Aspinwall, Mr. David Atkinson, Mrs. Lynda Chalker, Mr. Ioan Evans, Mr. Nigel Forman, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Tom Hooson, Mr. Ralph Howell, Mrs. Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk, Dr. M. S. Miller, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mr. George Park, Mr. Chris Patten, Mr. Laurie Paviot, Mr. J. W. Rooker, and Mr. Leslie Spriggs.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Graham Bright, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. Michael McGuire, Mr. Thomas McNally, Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. Tom Normanton, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Kenneth Warren, and Mr. Ken Woolmer.

[No. 66.]

Thursday, 12th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Allied Irish Banks Bill.—The Allied Irish Banks Bill was read the third time, and passed.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Transport Docks Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th March.
Lloyd's Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th March.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th March.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th March.

East Sussex Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Sussex Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 19th March.

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

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 12th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 38-vii].

Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them.

Memorandum to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 28-xiii].

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—Mr. Paul Dean reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow ; and to be printed [Bill 91].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 230].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Gas Levy Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Industry Bill, without Amendment.

Disabled Persons Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Disabled Persons Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 20th March.

Education, Science and Arts.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Goodman to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee.—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

Foods and Drugs (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Gerard Neale, supported by Miss Joan Lester, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Barry Jones, Mrs. Jill Knight, Mr. Christopher Price, Mrs. Sheila Faith, Mr. Charles R. Morris, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, and Mr. Michael Latham, presented a Bill to amend the law of England and Wales so as to exempt certain premises from registration under section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955: And the same was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th March and to be printed [Bill 88].

Ways and Means.—Amendment of the law.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 10th 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—

(a) any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

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

(ii) for refunding any amount of tax;

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

(iv) for any relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description; or

(b) any amendment relating to the surcharge imposed by the National Insurance Surcharge Act 1976 and applying to some only of the persons by or in respect of whom the surcharge is payable;
And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate. 

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

Debate to be resumed upon Monday next.

Public Petitions.—A Petition from members of the Oxford University Student Union for the rejection of policies to raise overseas students' fees 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. Robert Boscawen):—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 12th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Summary of Northern Ireland Education and Library Boards' Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8143].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Transport,—Statements of determination of the pensions of former members and the widow of a former member of the British Railways Board [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes made by the Governing Bodies of:
(1) Brasenose College, Oxford, on 16th December 1980 amending the Statutes of the College,
(2) Brasenose College, Oxford, on 16th December 1980 amending the Statutes of the College, and
(3) Wadham College, Oxford, on 7th January 1981 amending the Statutes of the College
[by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 12th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Donald Kaberry Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords] in place of Mr. Paul Dean; Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill; Mr. David Watkins Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Employment and Training Bill; Miss Betty Boothroyd an additional Chairman of Standing Committee F in respect of the British Nationality Bill in place of Mr. Ernest Armstrong; Mr. R. C. Mitchell Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981; and Mr. John Spence Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981.
Friday, 13th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Fowler, supported by Secretary Sir Keith
Joseph, Mr. Secretary Prior, Mr. Secretary Heseltine, Mr. Secretary Biffen, Mr. Leon
Brittan, and Mr. Kenneth Clarke, presented a Bill to provide financial assistance to the
Port of London Authority and the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company; and to
increase the limit on sums borrowed by the National Dock Labour Board: And the
same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday
16th March and to be printed [Bill 92].

Effect on London of Government Policies,—A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That this House, being of the opinion that the Government's failure
to recognise and accept the special problems of the capital city and its environs is creating
a crisis that could result in irreversible damage to London's industrial and commercial
base, considers that at a time when the problems of education, unemployment, housing,
homelessness, roads, transport, health, social services and crime are reaching grave
proportions, the Government's decision deliberately to penalise London by cutting
the rate support grant will further reduce the quality of life of London's citizens;
deplores the effects of the Budget on London which will be to create further unemploy-
ment, fewer homes, and greater hardship for those least able to protect themselves;
and calls upon the Government to initiate urgent discussions with the Greater London
group of Members of Parliament, the London Boroughs Association, the trades unions,
chambers of commerce, and representatives of voluntary organisations in order
to develop a strategy for saving London—(Mr. A. W. Stallard):—Debate arising;

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Treasury and Civil Service,—Ordered, That Mr. Robert Sheldon be discharged from the
Treasury and Civil Service Committee and Mr. Michael Meacher be added to the
Committee.—(Mr. Ronald W. Brown, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming
the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 13th February, That the Gaelic
(Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 27th March.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading
of the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

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

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

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 13th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

National Debt,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th March 1981, entitled the Savings
Certificates (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 372) [by Act].

Value Added Tax,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th March 1981, entitled the Value

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Housing (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th March 1981, entitled the Rent
Rebate and Rent Allowance Schemes (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 368)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:


_Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:_

Distribution of German Enemy Property,—Copy of the Account of the sums received and paid by the Administrator of German Enemy Property for the two years ended 31st March 1980 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Statutory Instrument] ; to be printed [No. 231].

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[No. 68.]

_Monday, 16th March, 1981._

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

**PRAYERS.**

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

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with an Appendix, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [Numbers and legal status of future British Overseas Citizens without other citizenship].

Report, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 158].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 158].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 13th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 15-vii].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 16th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 39-ix].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 16th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-i].

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

_The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make amendments relating to the winning and working of minerals in the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 and amendments relating to rights for the purpose of the conveyance of minerals in section 2 of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act 1966; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords]._

Education, Science and Arts,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Goodman to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords].—The Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 95].
Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 4 (Prayers against statutory instruments, &c. (negative procedure)), the Motions relating to Town and Country Planning may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o’clock or for one and a half hours after the first of them has been entered upon, whichever is the later, and Mr. Speaker shall then put any Question necessary to dispose of proceedings thereon, if not previously concluded.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Ways and Means,—Amendment of the law.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 10th 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—

(a) any amendment with respect to value added tax so as to provide—
   (i) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;
   (ii) for refunding any amount of tax;
   (iii) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or
   (iv) for any relief other than relief applying to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description; or

(b) any amendment relating to the surcharge imposed by the National Insurance Surcharge Act 1976 and applying to some only of the persons by or in respect of whom the surcharge is payable;

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. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 325.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 270.

So the Question was agreed to.

2. Spirits

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 11th March 1981, the rates of duty specified in section 5 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be increased from £11.87 and £11.90 per litre of alcohol in the spirits to £13.60 and £13.63 per litre of alcohol in the spirits respectively.

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);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 324.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 253.

So the Question was agreed to.

3. Beer

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 11th March 1981, the rates of duty specified in section 36 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be increased—

(a) from £13.05 for each hectolitre to £18.00 for each hectolitre;
(b) from £0.435 for each additional degree of original gravity exceeding 1030 degrees to £0.60 for each such additional degree.

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);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 324.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 253.

So the Question was agreed to.
4. Wine

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 11th March 1981, the rates of duty under section 54 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be as follows—

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<td>Wine of a strength—</td>
<td>£</td>
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<td>not exceeding 15 per cent.</td>
<td>95·20</td>
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<td>exceeding 15 but not exceeding 18 per cent.</td>
<td>122·90</td>
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<td>exceeding 18 but not exceeding 22 per cent.</td>
<td>144·70</td>
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<td>exceeding 22 per cent.</td>
<td>144·70 plus £13·60 for every 1 per cent. or part of 1 per cent. in excess of 22 per cent.; each of the above rates of duty being, in the case of sparkling wine, increased by £20·90 per hectolitre.</td>
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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.

5. Made-wine

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 11th March 1981, the rates of duty under section 55 of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be as follows—

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<tr>
<th>Description of made-wine</th>
<th>Rates of duty per hectolitre</th>
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<td>Made-wine of a strength—</td>
<td>£</td>
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<tr>
<td>not exceeding 10 per cent.</td>
<td>61·80</td>
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<tr>
<td>exceeding 10 but not exceeding 15 per cent.</td>
<td>92·50</td>
</tr>
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<td>exceeding 15 but not exceeding 18 per cent.</td>
<td>113·90</td>
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<td>exceeding 18 per cent.</td>
<td>113·90 plus £13·60 for every 1 per cent. or part of 1 per cent. in excess of 18 per cent.; each of the above rates of duty being, in the case of sparkling made-wine, increased by £9·60 per hectolitre.</td>
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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.

6. Cider

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 11th March 1981, the rate of duty specified in section 62(1) of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 shall be increased from £6·05 per hectolitre to £7·20 per hectolitre.

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. Tobacco products

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 14th March 1981, the Tobacco Products Duty Act 1979 shall be amended as follows—

(1) For the Table in Schedule 1 there shall be substituted—

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<tr>
<td>1. Cigarettes ... ... ... An amount equal to 21 per cent. of the retail price plus £18.04 per thousand cigarettes.</td>
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<td>2. Cigars ... ... ... £34.29 per kilogram.</td>
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<td>3. Hand-rolling tobacco ... £29.56 per kilogram.</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Other smoking tobacco and chewing tobacco ... £21.92 per kilogram.</td>
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</table>

(2) Section 3 (additional duty on higher tar cigarettes) shall be omitted.

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);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 329.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 229.

So the Question was agreed to.

8. Matches and mechanical lighters

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 11th March 1981, the Matches and Mechanical Lighters Duties Act 1979 shall be amended as follows—

(1) In section 1(1) (duty on matches at the rate of £0.49 for every 7,200 matches) for “£0.49” there shall be substituted “£1.15”.

(2) In section 6(1) (duty on mechanical lighters at the rate of £0.20 for each lighter) for “£0.20” there shall be substituted “£0.50”.

(3) In section 6(3) (exemption for lighters constructed solely for the purpose of igniting gas for domestic use) after the word “domestic” there shall be inserted the words “or industrial”.

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. Pool betting duty

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 1st July 1981, the relevant monetary limits referred to in subsection (4) of section 6 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 shall be the limits referred to in the provisions mentioned in that subsection as they have effect on that date.

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.

10. Hydrocarbon oil etc.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 6 o’clock in the evening of 10th March 1981, section 6(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979 shall have effect with the substitution for “£0.10 a litre” of “£0.1382 a litre”.

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):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 295.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean : 281.

So the Question was agreed to.

11. Vehicles excise duty

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 and the Vehicles (Excise) Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 shall have effect with the amendment set out below.
But this Resolution shall not authorise the making of amendments which would result in different provisions being in force in different parts of Great Britain.

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.

(1) In the said Acts of 1971 and 1972—

(a) for the provisions of Part II of Schedules 1 to 5 (annual rates of duty) there shall be substituted the provisions set out below;

(b) in section 16 (trade licences) for “£30” and “£6” there shall be substituted respectively “£35” and “£7”;

(c) in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 1 (annual rates of duty on certain vehicles not exceeding 8½ cwt.) for “8½ cwt.” there shall be substituted “425 kilograms”.

(2) Paragraph (1) above has effect in relation to licences taken out after 10th March 1981.

### PROVISIONS SUBSTITUTED FOR PART II OF SCHEDULE 1 TO ACT OF 1971 AND ACT OF 1972

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description of vehicle</th>
<th>Rate of duty</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Bicycles and tricycles of which the cylinder capacity of the engine does not exceed 150 cubic centimetres</td>
<td>£7.00</td>
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<td>2. Bicycles of which the cylinder capacity of the engine exceeds 150 cubic centimetres but does not exceed 250 cubic centimetres; tricycles (other than those in the foregoing paragraph) and vehicles (other than mowing machines) with more than three wheels, being tricycles and vehicles neither constructed nor adapted for use nor used for the carriage of a driver or passenger</td>
<td>£14.00</td>
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<td>3. Bicycles and tricycles not in the foregoing paragraphs</td>
<td>£28.00</td>
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### PROVISIONS SUBSTITUTED FOR PART II OF SCHEDULE 2 TO ACT OF 1971 AND ACT OF 1972

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<td>Hackney carriages</td>
<td>£35.00</td>
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With an additional 70p for each person above 20 (excluding the driver) for which the vehicle has seating capacity.
### PROVISIONS SUBSTITUTED FOR PART II OF SCHEDULE 3 TO ACT OF 1971

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<td>1. Agricultural machines; digging machines; mobile cranes; works trucks; mowing machines; fishermen's tractors</td>
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<td>2. Haulage vehicles, being showmen's vehicles</td>
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<th>...</th>
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<th>1 ton</th>
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<td>3. Tower wagons</td>
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<td>4. Goods vehicles not included in any of the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Schedule</td>
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<td>6 tons</td>
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### Table B
**Rates of Duty on Goods Vehicles Used for Drawing Trailers**

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<th>Description of vehicle</th>
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| 1. Showmen's goods vehicles | ... | 14 tons | 3 tons | 4 tons | 6 tons | 9 tons | £ |
|                            |     | 37-00  | 76-00  | 76-00  | 305-00 | 1,081-00 | 1,230-00 |

| 2. Other goods vehicles | ... | 14 tons | 3 tons | 4 tons | 6 tons | 9 tons | £ |
|                        |     | 41-00  | 55-00  | 124-00 | 154-00 | 168-00 |
### TABLE A

**GENERAL RATES OF DUTY**

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### TABLE B

**RATES OF DUTY ON GOODS VEHICLES USED FOR DRAWING TRAILERS**

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### PROVISIONS SUBSTITUTED FOR PART II OF SCHEDULE 5 TO ACT OF 1971

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<tr>
<th>Description of vehicle</th>
<th>Rate of duty</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Vehicles not exceeding seven horse power, if registered under the Roads Act 1920 for the first time before 1st January 1947...</td>
<td>£50.00</td>
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<td>2. Vehicles not included above</td>
<td>£70.00</td>
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PROVISIONS SUBSTITUTED FOR PART II OF SCHEDULE 5 TO ACT OF 1972

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<th>Description of vehicle</th>
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<td>1. Vehicles first registered under the Roads Act 1920 before 1st January 1947, or which, if their first registration for taxation purposes had been effected in Northern Ireland, would have been so first registered as aforesaid under the Act as in force in Northern Ireland:</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>(i) not exceeding 6 horse power</td>
<td>42.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>(ii) exceeding 6 horse power but not exceeding 9 horse power—for each unit or part of a unit of horse power</td>
<td>7.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Other vehicles</td>
<td>70.00</td>
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—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 322.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 267.

So the Question was agreed to.

12. Customs and Excise administration
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways andMeans Motions), That provision may be made for—
(a) repealing section 94(2) of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979;
(b) amending section 14(2) of the Alcoholic Liquor Duties Act 1979 and repealing sections 85 to 88 of that Act;
(c) increasing the minimum amount for repayments under sections 17 and 18(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979, prescribing a minimum amount for repayments under section 19 of that Act and preventing the payment of drawback where an application can be made under that section—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer): It was agreed to.

13. Value added tax: registration
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That—
(1) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Finance Act 1972 (liability to be registered)—
(a) for “£4,000” there shall be substituted “£5,000”; and
(b) for “£13,500”, in each place, there shall be substituted “£15,000”;
and in section 20(1) of that Act (registration of local authorities) for “£13,500”, in both places, there shall be substituted “£15,000”. (2) In paragraph 2 of the said Schedule 1 (termination of liability to be registered)—
(a) for “£13,500”, in both places, there shall be substituted “£15,000”; and
(b) for “£12,500” there shall be substituted “£14,000”.
(3) Paragraph 1 above shall come into force on 11th March 1981 and paragraph 2 above on 1st June 1981.
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. Value added tax: valuation
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That—
(1) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Finance Act 1972 (liability to be registered)—
(a) for “£4,000” there shall be substituted “£5,000”; and
(b) for “£13,500”, in each place, there shall be substituted “£15,000”;
and in section 20(1) of that Act (registration of local authorities) for “£13,500”, in both places, there shall be substituted “£15,000”. (2) In paragraph 2 of the said Schedule 1 (termination of liability to be registered)—
(a) for “£13,500”, in both places, there shall be substituted “£15,000”; and
(b) for “£12,500” there shall be substituted “£14,000”.
(3) Paragraph 1 above shall come into force on 11th March 1981 and paragraph 2 above on 1st June 1981.
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.

15. Car tax: extension to motor cycles
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That—
(1) Section 52 of the Finance Act 1972 shall be amended as follows—
(a) in subsection (3) the words “has three or more wheels” shall be omitted;
(b) in subsection (4)(a) for the words "vehicles capable of accommodating only one person" there shall be substituted the words "vehicles having three or more wheels and capable of accommodating only one person".

(2) The above provisions shall come into force on 1st April 1981 but car tax shall not by virtue of those provisions be chargeable on any vehicle imported on or after that date if it was exported from the United Kingdom before that date and was before being exported registered under the Vehicles (Excise) Act 1971 or any corresponding enactment in force in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man.

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.

16. Car tax: import and export

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

(1) For paragraph (b) of section 52(1) of the Finance Act 1972 (charge of car tax on vehicles made or registered in the United Kingdom by person not registered under Schedule 7 to that Act or under the corresponding provisions in force in the Isle of Man) there shall be substituted—

" (b) made or registered in, or imported into, the United Kingdom by any other person except a person registered under Schedule 7 to the Value Added Tax and Other Taxes Act 1973 (an Act of Tynwald)."

(2) In paragraph 3 of Schedule 7 to that Act (persons by whom car tax is payable) after paragraph (a) there shall be inserted the words "and

(a) if the vehicle is imported by a person not registered under this Schedule as if it were a duty of excise chargeable on importation; and ".

(3) The provisions of paragraph 3 of the said Schedule 7 as amended by paragraph (2) above shall become sub-paragraph (1) and after that sub-paragraph there shall be inserted—

" (2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3) below, the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 and, except where the contrary intention appears, any other enactments (including provisions of regulations or other instruments having statutory effect) relating generally to excise duties on imported goods, whether passed or made before or after the passing of this Act, shall have effect, with such exceptions and adaptations as the Commissioners may by regulations prescribe, as if chargeable vehicles in respect of which tax is payable in accordance with sub-paragraph (1)(aa) above were liable to a duty of excise on importation and as if the tax were that duty.

(3) The following enactments shall be excepted from those which are to have effect as mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) above—

(a) sections 43(5), 125, 126, and 127(1)(b) of the said Act of 1979;
(b) the Customs and Excise Duties (General Reliefs) Act 1979; and
(c) sections 8 and 9 of the Isle of Man Act 1979."

(4) Paragraph 7 of the said Schedule 7 shall be amended as follows—

(a) there shall be omitted in sub-paragraph (a) the words " and was not registered before it was exported " and in sub-paragraph (b) the words " and is not registered "; and
(b) after the words " repay it " there shall be inserted the words " subject, in the case of a vehicle registered before exportation, to such conditions as they think fit ".

(5) The above provisions shall come into force on 1st April 1981.

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.

17. Income tax (charge and rates for 1981-82)

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

(1) Income tax for the year 1981-82 shall be charged at the basic rate of 30 per cent; and

(a) in respect of so much of an individual's total income as exceeds the basic rate limit 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 the investment income threshold at the additional rate of 15 per cent.
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(2) Section 24 (4) of the Finance Act 1980 (increase of basic rate limit, higher rate bands and investment income threshold) shall not apply for the year 1981-82.

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.

18. Income tax (personal reliefs)

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

(1) Section 24(5) of the Finance Act 1980 (increase of personal reliefs) shall not apply for the year 1981-82.

(2) In section 18 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 (relief for blind persons)—

(a) in subsection (1) (relief for one blind person) for the words following paragraph (b) there shall be substituted the words “he shall be entitled to a deduction of £360 from his total income”;

(b) in subsection (2) (relief for blind couple)—

(i) paragraph (c), together with the word “and” preceding it, shall be omitted;

(ii) for the words following that paragraph there shall be substituted “he shall be entitled to a deduction of £720 from his total income”.

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);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 317.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 266.

So the Question was agreed to.

19. Relief for interest (limit for 1981-82)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the limit proposed by paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Finance Act 1974 shall, subject to any reduction to be made under that paragraph, be £25,000 for the year 1981-82—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

20. Corporation tax (charge and rate for financial year 1980)

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 1980 at the rate of 52 per cent—(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 the rate of advance corporation tax for the financial year 1981 shall be three-sevenths—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

22. 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 1980 shall be 40 per cent.; and

(b) the fraction by reference to which corporation tax charged on income is reduced under section 95(2) of the Finance Act 1972 shall for that financial year be two twenty-fifths—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
23. Benefits in kind (cars)
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That in paragraph 5(1)(b) of Part II of Schedule 7 to the Finance Act 1976 (increase of cash equivalent where use of car for business travel does not amount to more than 1000 miles) for “1000” there shall be substituted “2500”—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

24. Stock relief
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the relief provided by Schedule 5 to the Finance Act 1976 may be replaced by new provisions applying to periods of account ending on or after 14th November 1980—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

25. Payments for loss of employment etc.
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 withdrawing the relief provided by paragraphs 3 to 5 of Schedule 8 to the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 and altering the relief provided by paragraph 7 of that Schedule—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

26. Capital allowances
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 amending, in relation to sales and other events occurring after 17th December 1980, the provisions relating to writing-down allowances, balancing allowances and balancing charges in respect of industrial buildings and structures, commercial buildings in enterprise zones and qualifying hotels;
(b) for extending references to sales in those provisions and in the other provisions of Chapter I of Part I of the Capital Allowances Act 1968 so as to include transfers otherwise than by way of sale; and
(c) for extending the cases to which section 78 of that Act applies—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

27. Settlements
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 may be imposed by provisions amending or supplementing sections 451 and 454 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

28. Prevention of tax avoidance
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 may be imposed by provisions amending or supplementing sections 478 and 480 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

29. Insurance companies
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 with respect to the division of income, gains and losses between different classes of business in the case of insurance companies with income, gains or losses arising from certain government securities—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

30. Write-off of government investment: restriction of tax losses
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 restricting the relief available for losses and other amounts in the case of any body where an amount of government investment in that body is written-off—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

31. Relief for losses on unquoted shares in trading companies
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That amendments may be made in the definitions of “group”, “holding company” and “investment company” in section 37(12) of the Finance Act 1980—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
32. Capital Gains

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to capital gains tax, corporation tax and income tax may be imposed by provisions—

(a) replacing section 19(3) of the Capital Gains Tax Act 1979;
(b) amending section 79 of that Act;
(c) relating to property held on trust;
(d) relating to cases in which relief is given under section 79 of the Finance Act 1980—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

33. Capital transfer tax

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to capital transfer tax may be imposed by provisions—

(a) amending paragraph 19 of Schedule 5 to the Finance Act 1975;
(b) amending paragraph 4 of Schedule 6 to that Act;
(c) in place of Part I of Schedule 8 to that Act;
(d) repealing paragraph 7(2)(b) of Schedule 10 to that Act;
(e) amending section 114 of the Finance Act 1976;
(f) relating to successive chargeable transfers;
(g) relating to reversionary interests in settled property—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 319.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 262.

So the Question was agreed to.

34. Stamp duty: sales of houses at discount by local authorities etc.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 23rd March 1981 and ending thirty-one days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of the Finance Act 1973—

(1) Where a conveyance or transfer to which this paragraph applies is subject contingently to the payment of any money (whether by virtue of that conveyance or transfer or otherwise), then, notwithstanding section 57 of the Stamp Act 1891, that money shall not be deemed to be part of the consideration in respect of which the conveyance or transfer is chargeable with ad valorem duty.

(2) For the purposes of section 74(5) of the Finance (1909-10) Act 1910 the consideration for any conveyance or transfer to which this paragraph applies shall be deemed to be valuable consideration.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) above apply to any conveyance or transfer on sale of a dwelling-house (including the grant of a lease) at a discount by—

(a) any Minister of the Crown or Northern Ireland department;
(b) a local authority within the meaning of Part V of the Housing Act 1957, a county council, a district council within the meaning of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 or in Scotland a regional, district or islands council, the common good of such a council or any trust under its control;
(c) the Housing Corporation;
(d) the Scottish Special Housing Association;
(e) the Northern Ireland Housing Executive;
(f) a housing association registered under section 13 of the Housing Act 1974 or Article 124 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981;
(g) a development corporation established by an order made or having effect as if made under the New Towns Act 1965 or the New Towns (Scotland) Act 1968 or an urban development corporation established by an order made under section 135 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980;
(h) the Commission for the New Towns or a new town commission established under section 7 of the New Towns Act (Northern Ireland) 1965;
(i) the Development Board for Rural Wales;
(j) the Council of the Isles of Scilly;
(k) a police authority within the meaning of section 62(b) of the Police Act 1964 or section 2(1) or 19(9)(b) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967, or the Police Authority for Northern Ireland;

(l) an Education and Libraries Board established under the Education and Libraries (Northern Ireland) Order 1972;

(m) any person mentioned in paragraph (e), (o), (j) or (l) of section 1(10) of the Tenants’ Rights, Etc. (Scotland) Act 1980.

(4) The foregoing provisions shall apply to instruments executed on or after 23rd March 1981.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

35. Stamp duty: shared ownership transactions

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the following provisions shall have effect for the period beginning 23rd March 1981 and ending thirty-one days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in section 50(2) of the Finance Act 1973—

(1) Section 97 of the Finance Act 1980 (shared ownership transactions) shall have effect with the amendments specified in paragraphs (2) and (3) below.

(2) In subsection (1) after the word “value” there shall be inserted the words “or sum”.

(3) In subsection (2)—

(a) for paragraph (b) there shall be substituted—

"(b) is granted partly in consideration of a premium calculated by reference to—

(i) the market value of the dwelling, or
(ii) a sum calculated by reference to that value, and partly in consideration of rent “; and

(b) in paragraph (d) for the words “paragraph (b) above” there shall be substituted the words “paragraph (b)(ii) above or, as the case may be, the sum referred to in paragraph (b)(ii) above” and at the end there shall be added the words “or, as the case may be, to that sum.”.

(4) Where a lease is granted by a body mentioned in subsection (3) of the said section 97 which—

(a) is of a dwelling for the exclusive use of the lessee or, if there are joint lessees, of those lessees;

(b) provides the lessee may on payment of a sum require the terms of the lease to be altered so that the rent payable under it is reduced;

(c) is granted partly in consideration of rent and partly in consideration of a premium calculated by reference to—

(i) the premium obtainable on the open market for the grant of a lease containing the same terms as the lease but with the substitution for the rent payable under the lease of the minimum rent, or
(ii) a sum calculated by reference to that premium; and

(d) contains a statement of the premium referred to in paragraph (c)(i) above, or as the case may be the sum referred to in paragraph (c)(ii) above, and the minimum rent and a statement to the effect that the parties intend duty to be charged in accordance with this section by reference to that premium, or as the case may be that sum, and that rent;

paragraph (5) below shall apply; and in this paragraph “minimum rent” in relation to any lease means the lowest rent which could become payable under the lease if it were altered as mentioned in paragraph (b) above at the date of the grant.

(5) Where this paragraph applies the lease shall be chargeable to stamp duty as if the premium paid by the lessee were equal to the premium, or as the case may be the sum, stated in the lease in accordance with paragraph (4)(d) above and the rent payable were as so stated.

(6) The foregoing provisions shall apply to instruments executed on or after 23rd March 1981.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
36. Development land tax

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That in connection with provisions for deferring liability to development land tax charges may be imposed under section 27 of the Development Land Tax Act 1976—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

37. Petroleum revenue 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—

(a) for denying supplement under section 2(9) of the Oil Taxation Act 1975 to—
   (i) expenditure claimed for a claim period ending after 31st December 1980 and incurred after the end of the chargeable period in which a net profit first accrues to a participant from an oil field; and
   (ii) expenditure under certain contracts entered into after 1st July 1980 which provide for deferred payments;
(b) for limiting relief under section 9 of that Act to a number of chargeable periods determined by reference to the chargeable period mentioned in paragraph (a)(ii) above; and
(c) for taking into account for the purposes of petroleum revenue tax certain payments made to participants by the Secretary of State or the Department of Commerce for Northern Ireland by reference to licences granted under the Petroleum (Production) Act 1934 or the Petroleum (Production) Act (Northern Ireland) 1964—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

38. Supplementary petroleum duty

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That a tax shall be charged on the gross profits (calculated as Parliament may determine) which accrue from oil fields determined for the purposes of Part I of the Oil Taxation Act 1975 to persons who are, or are treated for the purposes of that Part of that Act as, participants in the fields—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

39. Special tax on banking deposits

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That a tax shall be charged on persons carrying on banking businesses on 10th March 1981 by reference to certain deposits held by them in the last quarter of 1980—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

40. 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 (Exchange Control).—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—

(a) make provision for the purpose of controlling the acquisition of sterling by persons resident outside the scheduled territories as defined in the Exchange Control Act 1947 and the borrowing of foreign currency by persons resident in the United Kingdom; and
(b) amend the references to authorised dealers in foreign currency or gold in section 2 of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971—(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 matters which may be included in Finance Bills, any Finance Bill of the present Session may contain the following provisions taking effect in a future year—

(a) provisions for charging income tax under Schedule E on payments of unemployment benefit and supplementary allowance;
(b) provisions relating to sick pay;
(c) provisions relating to the taxation of benefits received by employees who by reason of their employment are provided with cars, petrol, credit tokens, transport vouchers or medical insurance;

(d) provisions relating to relief for interest;

(e) provisions relating to the deduction of tax from payments made to companies in respect of services provided by workers supplied by those companies;

(f) provisions relating to the abolition of excise licences for dealing wholesale in certain alcoholic liquors—(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—

(1) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums payable on or after 1st April 1982 under section 47(2) of the Irish Land Act 1903 or section 26(2) of the Government of Ireland Act 1920;

(2) the payment out of the National Loans Fund (with recourse to the Consolidated Fund) of any sums payable after that date under section 167 of the National Loans Act 1968 in respect of securities issued under the Northern Ireland Land Act 1923;

(3) payments out of and into the National Loans Fund in consequence of provisions relating to exchange control—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer): 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, Secretary Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Secretary Jenkin, Mr. Secretary Howell, Mr. Secretary Fowler, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Peter Rees, and Mr. Nigel Lawson, do prepare and bring it in.

Finance Bill.—Mr. Nigel Lawson 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 93].

Tuesday, 17th March, 1981:

Town and Country Planning.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Town and Country Planning (National Parks, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Conservation Areas) Special Development Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 246), dated 19th February 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th February, be annulled—(Mr. Ted Graham):—It was negatived.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn: 42.


So the Question was negatived.

Civil Aviation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Carriage by Air Acts (Application of Provisions) (Third Amendment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 25th February, 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th February, be approved—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes past One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.19 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Monday 16th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriations in Aid.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 16th March 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Vote for royal palaces, royal parks, historical buildings, ancient monuments and the national heritage [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence (Royal Air Force),—Copy of Regulations, made by the Defence Council on 9th March 1981, amending the regulations on the commissioning of officers and conditions of service of officers and airmen (aircrew) in the Royal Air Force [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


MEMORANDUM

Monday 16th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. James Lamond an additional Chairman of Standing Committee F in respect of the British Nationality Bill.

[No. 69.]

Tuesday, 17th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Charterhouse Japhet Bill,—The Charterhouse Japhet Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Barnsley Borough Council Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Barnsley Borough Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

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 (No. 2) Bill.

Bill committed.

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Thirteenth Report).
Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxi].

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 218-ii].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-ii].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 211-ii].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-vi].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 233-i].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-xi].

Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords].—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords], and had 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. 234].

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

The Lords have agreed to the European Assembly Elections Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the House of Commons Members' Fund and Parliamentary Pensions Bill, without Amendment.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Rating of Industry (Scotland) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft British Nuclear Fuels Limited (Financial Limit) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Welsh Affairs.—Ordered, That the matter of the Consequences of the Budget and the Government's Economic Policies in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for their consideration.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Business of the House.—Ordered, That notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between 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. Robert Boscawen.)

European Communities (Amendment) (No. 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend certain provisions of the European Communities Act 1972.—(Mr. Tony Marlow);
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. K. Harvey Proctor, Mr. John Farr: 128.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Macmillan, Mr. Cranley Onslow: 178.

So the Question was negatived.

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 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. Tony Newton 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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr. Tony Newton.)

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

Tuesday 17th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Police,—Copy of a Report on the establishment of an independent element in the investigation of complaints against the police [by Command] [Cmnd. 8193].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—

(1) British wines, cider and perry,
(2) fertilizers,
(3) packaging products of paper and associated materials, and
(4) wallcoverings

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Secretary Howell:

Offshore Installations,—Copies of Orders, dated 16th March 1981, entitled—

(1) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 3) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 402), and
(2) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1081, No. 403).

[by Act]
Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Transport,—Copy of the Report of the Transport Tribunal for 1980 [by Act].

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

Community Land,—Copy of the Account of receipts and payments of the Secretary of State for the Environment in respect of the Community Land surpluses of authorities in England for the year ended 31st March 1980 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 235].

Erskine Bridge Tolls,—Copy of the Operating Account of the Erskine Bridge Tolls for the year ended 31st March 1980 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 236].


MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 17th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. ; the Rating of Industry (Scotland) Order 1981 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c. ; and the draft British Nuclear Fuels Limited (Financial Limits) Order 1981 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 70.]

Wednesday, 18th March, 1981.

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).

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 223-iii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 51-vi].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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. 32-xv].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xvi].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 166-iii].

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Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 221-ii].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 243-i].

Public Accounts,—Mr Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 233-ii].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, 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) [Housing Capital Allocation].

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 112-I].

Minutes of Proceedings relating to the Report to be printed [No. 112-II].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 204].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 31-xviii].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport 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) [The Inquiry into Lorries, People and the Environment].

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 192].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 192].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 232-i].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 28-xiii].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. R. C. Mitchell reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981, referred to a Committee on 9th March.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 240].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. John Spence reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 9th March.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 242].

Social Services,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Richardson to attend to be examined as a witness before the Social Services Committee.—(Mrs. Renee Short.)
Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to oblige local authorities to plant trees in their areas to replace trees felled or destroyed by them; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Trees (Replanting and Replacement) Bill [Lords].

Social Services.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Richardson to attend to be examined as a witness before the Social Services Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Disabled Persons Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Disabled Persons Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

Transport Act 1962 (Amendment).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the Secretary of State to waive sections 54 and 56 of the Transport Act 1962 upon specific application by British Railways naming the section of line to be re-opened on a trial basis: And that Mr. Tony Speller, Mr. Robert Adley, Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Jack Aspinwall, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. Peter Mills, Mr. Ron Lewis, and Mr. Peter Snape, do prepare and bring it in.

Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill,—Mr. Tony Speller accordingly presented a Bill to empower the Secretary of State to waive sections 54 and 56 of the Transport Act 1962 upon specific application by British Railways naming the section of line to be re-opened on a trial basis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 27th March and to be printed [Bill 96].

Supply [12th 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. Carol Mather): —It was negatived.

The Need for an Inquiry into the Working of the Prevention of Terrorism Act,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House, mindful that the Prevention of Terrorism Act was intended as a temporary measure and that it provides wide ranging powers that should exist in a free society only if they are essential to the defeat of terrorism, calls upon the Secretary of State for the Home Department to set up an inquiry into the working of the Act and to instruct that inquiry to make recommendations on its future operations including, if it think fit, amendments to the present Act (Mr. Roy Hattersley):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 141.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 189.

So the Question was negatived.

Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1976 (Continuance) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 24th February, be approved (Mr. Secretary Whitelaw);

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):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. John Wakeham: 125.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Martin Flannery: 44.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1976 (Continuance) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 24th February, be approved.

Thursday, 19th March, 1981:

Coal Industry.—Resolved, That the draft Redundant Mineworkers and Concessionary Coal (Payments Schemes) (Amendment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 11th March, be approved.—(Mr. John Moore.)

Coal Industry.—Resolved, That the draft Mineworkers Pension Scheme (Limit on Contributions) Order 1981, which was laid before this House of 11th March, be approved.—(Mr. John Moore.)
Armed Forces Bill.—Ordered, That Mr. James Wellbeloved be discharged from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill and that Mr. Arthur Davidson be added to the Committee. (Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes to One o’clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.52 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 18th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriations in Aid,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 18th March 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Vote for Department of Employment: administration [by Act].

Mr Secretary Younger:


Provisional Orders (Scotland),—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 Order for which a Petition was presented to one of Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State on or before the 27th day of November 1980, namely the Midlothian District Council Order, and are of opinion that the Order should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make thereon [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Census,—Copy of a Paper, entitled the 1981 Census of Population: Confidentiality and Computing [by Command] [Cmnd. 8201].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on spirit distilling and compounding [by Act].

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

Severn Bridge Tolls,—Copy of the Operating Accounts of the Severn Bridge Tolls for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 244].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. John Major (nominated in respect of the Horserace Betting Levy Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Roger Sims.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 121), viz.: Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Kenneth Carlisle, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Eric Deakins, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Alan Fitch, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, Mr. John Peyton, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. Tom Torrey, Mr. Bowen Wells, and Mr. Mark Wolfson.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Rating of Industry (Scotland) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Donald Dewar, Mr. Dick Douglas, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Mr. Allan Stewart, Mr. Bill Walker, and Mr. James White.
Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft British Nuclear Fuels Limited (Financial Limit) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. David Gilroy Bevan, Mr. John Blackburn, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Peter Emery, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. John Hannam, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Roy Hughes, Mr. Norman Lamont, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. Ian Lloyd, Mr. Robert McCrindle, Mr. Michael Neubert, Mr. Eric Ogden, Mr. Merlyn Rees, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Three Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Consequences of the Budget and the Government's Economic Policies in Wales, viz.: Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. John Cope, and Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones.

[No. 71.]
Thursday, 19th March, 1981.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.
Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 2nd April.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 2nd April.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th March.

Lloyd's Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd's Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 24th March at Seven o'clock.

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th March.

East Sussex Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Sussex Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 26th March.

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

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 19th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-viii].

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.

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:


Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill,—Mr. Dafydd Wigley, supported by Mr. Jack Ashley, Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. John Hannon, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. Alfred Morris, Sir David Price, Mr. Dafydd Thomas, and Mr. Gordon Wilson, presented a Bill to impose on highway authorities and other persons executing or proposing to execute works on highways a duty to have regard to the needs of disabled persons; to increase the penalty for certain offences under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967 where those offences are committed by persons who improperly seek to avail themselves of certain parking facilities provided for disabled persons by orders under that Act; to impose a duty on planning authorities to draw the attention of persons to whom they grant planning permission to certain statutory and other provisions relating to access for disabled persons to buildings and other premises used by the public; to make further provision for the display of signs giving information as to such access; to require the Secretary of State to lay before Parliament a report as to proposals for ensuring or facilitating the improvement of means of access to such buildings and premises; 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 97].

Iron and Steel Bill,—The Iron and Steel 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).

Iron and Steel [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Iron and Steel [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of this Session to modify the functions of the British Steel Corporation and to make further provision with respect to the finances of the Corporation and the publicly-owned companies, it is expedient to authorise the extinguishment of the Corporation’s liability in respect of long-term loans made to the Corporation by the Secretary of State.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Local Government,—Resolved, That the Merseyside Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved.—(Mr. Tom King.)

Welsh Grand Committee,—Ordered, That, during the proceedings on the matter of the Consequences of the Budget and the Government’s Economic Policies in Wales, the Welsh Grand Committee have leave to sit twice on the first day on which they shall meet; and that notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 64 (Meetings of Standing Committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o’clock nor continue after the Committee have considered the matter for two hours at that sitting.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Public Petitions,—A Petition from Ernest Watson for the amendment of the Building Regulations 1972 was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.58 p.m.]
Mr. Secretary Prior:

Pay Comparability.—Copies of Reports of the Standing Commission on Pay Comparability on—
(1) chief officials of local authorities in Scotland, and
(2) university computer operating staff
(by Command) [Cmnd. 8202 and 8203].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Monopolies and Mergers.—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on full-line forcing and tie-in sales [by Act]; to be printed [No. 212].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:


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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Horserace Betting Levy Bill; Mr. Ifor Davies Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Consequences of the Budget and the Government’s Economic Policies in Wales; Mr. James Lamond Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Rating of Industry (Scotland) Order 1981; and Mr. John Spence Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft British Nuclear Fuels Limited (Financial Limit) Order 1981.

FRIDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1981

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

PRAYERS.

Fermanagh and South Tyrone 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 the County Constituency of Fermanagh and South Tyrone, in the room of Meredith Francis Maguire, Esquire, deceased. (Mr. James Molyneaux.)

Accounts and Papers,—A Paper was presented (see Appendix).

Criminal Justice,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House recognises that the dangerous crisis in the prisons cannot be fully resolved without fundamental reforms in the criminal justice system—(Mr. Clive Soley):—Debate arising;

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill,—The Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Friday 1st May.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.]
Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix I).

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No.106-vi].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No.39-xl].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No.247].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Redetermination and lowering of regional, district or general rate)—(Mr. Secretary Younger)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Prohibition of using sums from loans fund to offset reduction of rate support grant or diminution in amount of resources element)—(Mr. Secretary Younger)—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. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke: 180.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. George Morton: 139.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Consent to certain local authority borrowing)—(Mr. Secretary Younger)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Vesting in landlord to bring into being tenant's right to purchase dwelling-house)—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind)—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, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Cope: 179.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Hamilton: 115.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Valuation of underground railways)—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Sex shops)—(Mr. Gordon Wilson)—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. Gordon Wilson, Mr. Ernie Ross: 114.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Peter Brooke: 163.

Another Clause (Sale of public sector houses for the elderly)—(Mr. Bruce Millan)—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. James Tinn, Mr. Donald Coleman : 116.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Donald Thompson : 162.

Another Clause (Calculation of the aggregate relevant income for housing support purposes)—(Mr. Bruce Millan)—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. Frank R. White, Mr. Allen McKay : 116.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Alastair Goodlad : 160.

And it being after Ten o’clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Scotland Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour and that the Motion relating to National Health Service (Scotland) may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half past Eleven o’clock or for one and a half hours after it has been entered upon, whichever is the later.—(Mr. Carol Mather)

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (Housing Capital Allowance)—(Mr. Donald Dewar)—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. Joe Dean, Mr. James Hamilton : 85.

Another Clause (Access for disabled)—(Mr. Gordon Wilson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:

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Question put.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Gordon Wilson, Mr. Dafydd Wigley : 64.
Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer : 118.

Another Clause (Minibus undertaking by islands council)—(Mr. Donald Stewart)—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. Donald Stewart, Mr. Gordon Wilson : 46.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke : 113.

Another Clause (Scottish local government statistics)—(Mr. Donald Dewar)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr. Secretary Younger)

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be further considered this day.

National Health Service (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the National Health Service (Functions of Health Boards) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 106), dated 28th January 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 9th February, be revoked—(Mr. Bruce Millan):
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 43.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Donald Thompson : 140.

So the Question was negatived.
Transport [Money] (No. 2).—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Transport [Money] (No. 2):

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of this Session to make further provision for promoting road safety it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses of the Secretary of State under provisions of that Act relating to road humps;
(b) any increase attributable to those provisions in the sums so payable under any other Act.—(Mr. Kenneth Clarke.)

Social Security.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 3rd March, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Civil Aviation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Mortgaging of Aircraft (Amendment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 4th March, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes to Three o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day. [Adjourned at 2.47 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 23rd March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Cabs.—Copy of an Order, dated 14th March 1981, entitled the Hackney Carriage Fares (Amendment of Byelaws) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 400) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Cabs.—Copy of an Order, dated 19th March 1981, entitled the Hackney Carriage Fares (Amendment of Byelaws) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 458) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:


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

High Court (Chancery Division).—Copy of the Report of the Review Body on the Chancery Division of the High Court [by Command] [Cmd. 8205].

Industrial and Provident Societies.—Copies of Orders, dated 11th March 1981, entitled—

(1) the Industrial and Provident Societies (Increase in Deposit-taking Limits) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 394), and

(2) the Industrial and Provident Societies (Increase in Shareholding Limit) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 395) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Eric Deakins and Mr. Tom Torney (nominated in respect of the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robert Litherland and Mr. Leslie Spriggs.
Tuesday, 24th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be considered upon Thursday.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th March and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourteenth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxii].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxiii].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-vii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-xii].

Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-xiv].

Energy Conservation Bill [Lords].—Mr. Michael English reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 99].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 248].

Employment.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Chancellor to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee.—(Mr. John Golding.)

House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (Amendment).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 by inserting among the persons disqualified for membership of the House of Commons any person who, having been described on the ballot paper at the time of his election to the House of Commons as a candidate for any political party, thereafter resigns his membership of that party—(Mr. Dennis Canavan);

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. Martin Flannery, Mr. Russell Kerr: 142.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Michael Brotherton: 166.

So the Question was negatived.
Supply [13th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Effect of Government Cuts on the Overseas Aid Programme.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the damaging cuts in the United Kingdom's official aid programme which contributed to the fall in 1980 in official development assistance as a percentage of gross national product to about half the United Nations target figure; deplores the hostility to official overseas aid which some Government statements have revealed, including the Prime Minister’s description of overseas aid as a “hand out”; and calls on the Government to reverse its policy of cutting aid, and especially to restore the disproportionate cuts in official aid to the poorest countries, recognising, as does the Brandt Commission Report, the critical needs of these countries—(Mr. Guy Barnett);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “notes that the aid programme for 1981-82 will be in excess of £1,000 million and welcomes the Government's intention to continue to give priority to the poorest countries in allocating bilateral aid”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Neil Marten.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Joe Dean: 245.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 302.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House notes that the aid programme for 1981-82 will be in excess of £1,000 million and welcomes the Government’s intention to continue to give priority to the poorest countries in allocating bilateral aid.

Lloyd’s Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lloyd’s Bill;

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

Sir Graham Page 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;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Major, Mr. John Heddle: 206.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ken Woolmer, Mr. Nick Badgen: 42.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] and the International Organisations Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

International Organisations Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the International Organisations Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Public Petitions.—A Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for the reduction of interest rates, a halt to public expenditure cuts, investment in new industry, increases in training and retraining programmes and the improvement of the international trading position to increase the availability of jobs was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.59 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Tuesday 24th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury minutes, dated—
(1) 26th February 1981,
(2) 27th February 1981,
(3) 2nd March 1981,
(4) 5th March 1981,
(5) 6th March 1981,
(6) 9th March 1981,
(7) 10th March 1981,
(8) 12th March 1981,
(9) 13th March 1981, and
(10) 16th March 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Duchy of Cornwall.—Copy of the Account of the Duchy of Cornwall for 1980 [by Act].

New Towns (Scotland).—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 9th March 1981 on loans raised by—
(1) the Cumbernauld Development Corporation,
(2) the East Kilbride Development Corporation,
(3) the Glenrothes Development Corporation,
(4) the Irvine Development Corporation, and
(5) the Livingston Development Corporation [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 19, 1981).—Copy of a Report on developments in the European Community in the period July to December 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8195].

Treaty Series (No. 17, 1981).—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Freetown on 13th January 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Sierra Leone, amending and extending the Public Service and Teachers (Sierra Leone) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/76 (the Public Service and Teachers (Sierra Leone) Agreement 1971-81) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8197].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence.—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th March 1981, entitled the Army Terms of Service Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 404) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) broadcast receiving and sound reproducing equipment,
(2) building bricks and non-refractory goods,
(3) drop forgings, etc.,
(4) hats, caps and millinery,
(5) ordnance and small arms, and
(6) wheeled tractor manufacturing [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Community Land.—Copy of the Report of the Land Authority for Wales for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Alastair Goodlad and Mr. David Mudd (nominated in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Archie Hamilton and Mr Carol Mather.

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 24th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr Speaker allocated the Iron and Steel Bill to Standing Committee B.

[No. 75.]

Wednesday, 25th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Barnsley Borough Council Bill.—The Barnsley Borough Council Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Armed Forces Bill.—Mr. Cyril D. Townsend reported from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 253-i].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 254-i].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th March.

Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 51-v].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Seventeenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 32-xvii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xvii].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 166-iv].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 221-iii].
Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 255-ii].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-iii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xviii].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 25th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 232-ii].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. James Lamond reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Rating of Industry (Scotland) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 17th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 251 -ii].

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. John Spence reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft British Nuclear Fuels Limited (Financial Limit) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 17th March.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 252].

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

Employment,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Chancellor to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee, his Lordship in his place consenting.

Education, Science and Arts,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Rayne and the Lord Mishcon to attend to be examined as witnesses before the Education, Science and Arts Committee. (Mr. Christopher Price.)

Gaelic Language.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to promote broadcasting in Gaelic, and to require local authorities in Gaelic-speaking areas to promote the use of Gaelic in drama and music: And that Mr. Bill Walker, Mr. Dick Douglas, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. George Foulkes, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Allan Stewart, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. John Mackay, and Mr. Alex Pollock, do prepare and bring it in.

Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill,—Mr. Bill Walker accordingly presented a Bill to promote broadcasting in Gaelic, and to require local authorities in Gaelic-speaking areas to promote the use of Gaelic in drama and music: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 15th May and to be printed [Bill 100].

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 17, at the end, to insert the words—

" (5) No order laid under subsection (3) above shall have the effect of postponing the valuation due to take place in 1983 ".—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 2 to 11 and 13) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 28, to leave out the words " the area of ";—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 15 to 18) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 16, to leave out subparagraph (iii).—(Mr. Martin O'Neill.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 20, 24, 25, 27 and 29) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 42, to leave out “1981-82” and insert “1982-83”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 37, 38 and 41) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 43) proposed to the Bill, in page 15, line 10, at the end, to insert the words—

“In section 25, leave out subsection (2) and insert—

‘(2) A complaint shall be entertained under this Part of this Act if it is made in writing to the Commissioner by the person aggrieved or with the consent of the person aggrieved by a person acting on his behalf with a request to investigate the complaint”’.—(Mr. Gordon Wilson.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 44 and 45) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 46) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 43, at the end, to insert the words—

“New Towns (Scotland) Act 1968 (c.16)

11A. In Schedule 2 (Constitution and proceedings of development corporations), at end of paragraph 9 insert—

‘9A. For the purpose of securing the admission, so far as is practicable, of the public including the press, to all meetings of Development Corporations themselves, the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 shall have effect’”.—(Mr. Norman Hogg.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 47 to 58) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 292.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. James Tinn: 229.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ports (Financial Assistance) 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 Bill which in making provisions for financial assistance to restore the profitability of port undertakings includes the Port of London Authority and the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company but provides no assistance for this purpose for Tyne and Wear, Middlesbrough and Hartlepool, Hull and Goole, Grimsby and Immingham, Wash Ports, East Anglia, Medway and Swale, South Coast, Plymouth, Cornwall, Bristol and Severn, South Wales, Manchester, Fleetwood, Cumbria, Ayrshire, Clyde, Aberdeen, or East Scotland”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

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, at this day’s sitting, the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Eleven o’clock.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill.—The Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Question, That the Ports (Financial Assistance) 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. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton: 81.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Alistair Goodlad, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 137.

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 (Committee of Bills).

Ports (Financial Assistance) [Money], —Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Ports (Financial Assistance) [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of this Session to provide financial assistance to the Port of London Authority and the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company and to increase the limit on sums borrowed by the National Dock Labour Board (the Act), it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required by the Secretary of State for giving financial assistance to the Authority and the Company for measures taken by them to restore the profitability of their undertakings and for the carrying on of their undertakings while such measures are being taken;

(b) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under any other Act; and

(c) the payment of any sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. Kenneth Clarke.)

Rating and Valuation, —Resolved, That the draft Transport Boards (Adjustment of Payments) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd March, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

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

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 twenty-six minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.26 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 25th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Agriculture,—Copies of Regulations, dated 17th March 1981, entitled—

(1) the Aberdeen and District Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 446),

(2) the North of Scotland Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 447), and

(3) the Scottish Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 445)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Monopolies and Mergers,—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed merger of S. & W. Berisford Limited and the British Sugar Corporation Limited [by Act]; to be printed [No. 241].
Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Housing.—Copies of Orders, dated 11th March 1981, entitled—
1. the Housing (Determination of Reasonable Expense) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1981, No. 73), and

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Offshore Installations.—Copies of Orders, dated 24th March 1981, entitled—
1. the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 4) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 468), and
2. the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (Revocation) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 469)

[by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Geoffrey Johnson Smith (nominated in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Vivian Bendall.

Standing Committee B.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Iron and Steel Bill, viz.: Mr. Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Dr. Jeremy Bray, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Stan Crewther, Dr. John Cunningham, Mr. Geoffrey Dickens, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. John Haddle, Mr. Bill Homwood, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Michael Marshall, Sir Anthony Meyer, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. Richard Shepherd, and Mr. Norman Tebbit.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Dr. Jeremy Bray, Mr. Michael Brotherton, Mr. James A. Dunn, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Frank Field, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. James Pawsey, Mr. Giles Shaw, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, Mr. van Straubenzee, Mr. Richard Wainwright, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Ray Whitney, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Hugh Rossi (nominated in respect of the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Sir George Young.

[No. 76.]

Thursday, 26th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 2nd April, at Seven o’clock.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 2nd April.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The British Transport Docks Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 2nd April.
East Sussex Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Sussex Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 2nd April.

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

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-ix].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the law relating to the English Industrial Estates Corporation; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Cinematograph Films Act 1957 to 1980; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Acts 1949 to 1980 and to repeal, as spent, certain enactments relating to the National Film Finance Corporation; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to public passenger vehicles; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords].

Education, Science and Arts.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Rayne and the Lord Mishcon to attend to be examined as witnesses before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if their Lordships think fit.

English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords].—The English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 101].

Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords].—The Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 102].

National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords].—The National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 103].

Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords].—The Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 104].

Common Agricultural Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 5091/81 and 5091/81 Addendum I on Common Agricultural Policy prices 1981-82; 5191/81 on the agricultural markets situation 1980; 12271/80 on Reflections on Common Agricultural Policy; and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food's unnumbered explanatory memorandum of 17th March on the development of livestock production in Ireland; recognises the contribution United Kingdom agriculture makes to the national economy and the need to obtain adequate returns for United Kingdom producers; and supports the Government's intention to seek an agreement designed to reduce production of structural surpluses where these exist, to contain the cost of the Common Agricultural Policy and to take account of the interests of consumers and of food processors—(Mr. Peter Walker);

The Question was amended, in line 10, by leaving out from the word “exist” to the end of the Question and adding the words “and stresses the need to hold down prices on those products in structural surplus and to submit proposals on common agricultural policy reform which will be designed to reduce the costs of the common agricultural policy which will take account of the interests of food processors and consumers”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Roy Mason.)

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 5091/81 and 5091/81 Addendum I on Common Agricultural Policy prices 1981-82; 5191/81 on the agricultural markets situation 1980; 12271/80 on Reflections on the Common Agricultural Policy; and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food's unnumbered explanatory memorandum of 17th March on the development of livestock production in Ireland; recognises the contribution United Kingdom agriculture makes to the national economy and the need to obtain adequate returns for United Kingdom
producers; and supports the Government's intention to seek an agreement designed to reduce production of structural surpluses where these exist and stresses the need to hold down prices on those products in structural surplus and to submit proposals on common agricultural policy reform which will be designed to reduce the costs of the common agricultural policy which will take account of the interests of food processors and consumers.

Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Enterprise Zones (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd March, be approved—(Mr. David Mitchell);

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question pursuant to Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Enterprise Zones (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd March, be approved.

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Planning Blight (Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 16th February, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the draft Public Order (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 13th January, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

European Legislation, &c.,—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 2nd July 1979 relating to the nomination of the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., be amended, by leaving out Mr. Ronald Leighton and Mr. Tam Dalyell and inserting Mr. Stan Crowther and Mr. Raymond Ellis.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Statutory Instruments (Joint Committee),—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 26th June 1979 relating to the nomination of the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments be amended, by leaving out Mr. Allen McKay and inserting Mr. Alec Woodall.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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 Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 12 midnight.

APPENDIX
Thursday 26th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Sir Ian Gilmour:

Commodities (Miscellaneous No. 7, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, open for signature at New York from 1st October 1980 to 30th September 1981, establishing the Common Fund for Commodities (the Agreement has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8192].

Mr. Francis Pym:

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 18th March 1981, entitled—
(1) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Belize) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 420),
(2) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Bermuda) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 421),
(3) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (British Virgin Islands) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 422),
(4) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Cayman Islands) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 423),
(5) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Falkland Islands) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 424),
(6) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Hong Kong) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 425),
(7) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Montserrat) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 426),  
(9) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Saint Helena) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 428),  
(10) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Sovereign Base Areas) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 429),  
(11) the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (Turks and Caicos Islands) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 430),  
(12) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) Act 1971 (Isle of Man) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 433),  
(13) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) Act 1971 (Jersey) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 434), and  
(14) the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Overseas Territories) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 431)  
[by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:  
Diseases of Animals,—Copy of a Return of proceedings under the Diseases of Animals Act 1950, for 1980 [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:  
Legal Aid and Advice,—Copy of the Accounts of the Legal Aid Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 256].  
Legal Aid and Advice (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Accounts of the Legal Aid Fund (Northern Ireland) for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 257].  
Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Copy of the Account of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 258].

MEMORANDUM
Thursday 26th March 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. R. C. Mitchell Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill; Mr. Michael Shaw Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Iron and Steel Bill; Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c, in respect of the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981; and Mr. R. Bonner Pink Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Horserace Betting Levy Bill, in place of Mr. Paul Dean.

[No. 77.]

Friday, 27th March, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Industrial Fuel Costs,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, while recognising the need for industrial fuel costs in the United Kingdom to be competitive with companies operating abroad, especially the energy intensive industries, and the need in the long term for the United Kingdom to maintain such an advantage through the rapid development of nuclear electrical generating capacity and other energy sources both to enable the Government to sustain the economic prosperity of the nation and to compete with the French who aim to have about 75 per cent. of their electrical capacity nuclear by 1990, urges the Government to pursue energy and transport policies which take full account of the importance of accommodating both objectives—(Mr. T. H. H. Skeet);—Debate arising;

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Defence.—Ordered, That Mr. Allen McKay be discharged from the Defence Committee and Mr. James A. Dunn be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Employment.—Ordered, That Mr. Giles Radice be discharged from the Employment Committee and Dr. Oonagh McDonald be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill,—The Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. 
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Gerrard Neale.)

Committee upon Friday 10th April.

Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill,—The Transport Act 1962 (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).

House of Commons (Services),—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 15th June 1979 relating to the nomination of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) be amended, by leaving out Mr. Andrew Faulds and Mr. Ernest Armstrong and inserting Mr. Lawrence Cunliffe and Mr. Don Dixon.—(Mr. Anthony Berry.)

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Anthony Berry.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 27th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Appropriations in Aid,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 27th March 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Votes for the Department of Health and Social Security and for other Government Departments in carrying into effect the Pensioners' Payments and Social Security Act 1979, the Social Security Act 1980 and the Social Security (No. 2) Act 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copies of Orders, dated 19th March 1981, entitled—
(1) the Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Fees) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 455), and
(2) the Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 456) [by Act].

[No. 78.]

Monday, 30th March, 1981.

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 on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz.:—
Lloyd's Bill.

Bill committed.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 30th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-vii].
Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 30th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 259-i].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 30th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 255-ii].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 30th March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 232-iii].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the International Organisations Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal the Sion College Act 1956; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Sion College Bill [Lords]].

Sion College Bill [Lords].—The Sion College Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Supply [14th 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. John Cope);

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

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Parliamentary Commissioner (Consular Complaints) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Peter Brooke: 67.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Greville Janner, Mr. Reg Race: 14.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Rating and Valuation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Rating of Industry (Scotland) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 13th March, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft British Nuclear Fuels Limited (Financial Limit) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 9th March, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—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 Stand Order, it being then eighteen minutes to Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.42 p.m. Vol. 237 Q 4]
APPENDIX

Monday 30th March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Home Affairs.—Copy of the Government's Reply to the First Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1980-81, on Home Office Reports [by Command] [Cmnd. 8214].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Mr. Francis Pym:

Mr. Attorney General:
Public Records.—Copy of the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into selection of and access to modern public records [by Command] [Cmnd. 8204].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Sea Fisheries.—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 23rd March 1981, entitled the Fishing Nets (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 3) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 465),
(2) an Order, dated 23rd March 1981, entitled the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 3) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 463), and

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Tribunals and Inquiries.—Copy of the Report of the Council on Tribunals for the year ended 31st July 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 246].

[No. 79.]

Tuesday, 31st March, 1981.

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).

Statutory Instruments.—Sir 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. 18-xxiv].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 31st March.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 211-iii].

Transport Bill.—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from Standing Committee E, That they had gone through the Transport Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to make provision with respect to the disposal by the British Railways Board of part of their undertaking, property, rights and liabilities;
to provide for the reconstitution of the British Transport Docks Board under the name of Associated British Ports and to confer on a company powers over that body corresponding to the powers of a holding company over a wholly-owned subsidiary; to dissolve the National Ports Council and amend the Harbours Act 1964; to make further provision for promoting road safety; to provide a new basis of vehicle excise duty for goods vehicles; to amend the law as to the payments to be made for cab licences and cab drivers' licences; and for connected purposes.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 105].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 260].

Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 in relation to the definition of "material change of use of buildings" for development and control purposes: And that Mr. Dafydd Wigley, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. David Penhaligon, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. Dafydd Thomas, Dr. Roger Thomas, and Mr. Gordon Wilson, do prepare and bring it in.

Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Dafydd Wigley accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 in relation to the definition of "material change of use of buildings" for development and control purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 1st May and to be printed [Bill 106].

Forestry Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Forestry Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Covenant in sale to maintain stock-proof fencing)—(Mr. Mark Hughes)—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. Hugh McCartney, Mr. James Hamilton: 206.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Peter Brooke: 274.

An Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 9, after the word "section", to insert the words "with the exception of the Royal Forest of Dean".—(Mr. Paul Marland.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. James Tinn: 212.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Donald Thompson: 267.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 9, at the end, to insert the words "provided that in any one year the proceeds of such disposals shall not exceed the grant in aid to the Forestry Commission for that year or if they do the balance shall be carried forward to the next and subsequent years".—(Mr. W. Benyon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. W. Benyon, Mr. Alex Pollock: 164.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Peter Brooke: 279.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 9, at the end, to insert the words "except for land acquired under section 24(2) of the Countryside Act 1968.

(2A) Nothing in subsection (2) above shall affect the powers of disposal provided under section 24(3) of the Act of 1968".—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 9, at the end, to insert the words "providing he gives any surviving previous owners of such land an opportunity to acquire it by private treaty sale".—(Mr. Patrick Cormack).

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 269.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Allen McKay : 208.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Criminal Attempts Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Criminal Attempts Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Offences of attempt under other enactments)—(Mr. Patrick Mayhew)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 6, to leave out the word "merely".—(Mr. George Cunningham).

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 6 to 16) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 11, to leave out Clause No. 8.—(Mr. George Cunningham.)

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, at this day's sitting, the Criminal Attempts Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant).

Criminal Attempts Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Criminal Attempts Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 2) be made :—Debate resumed.

Question put.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Joe Dean : 100.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Donald Thompson : 155.

Other Amendments (Nos. 17 and 18) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 27, to leave out from the word "to" to the word "a" in line 28.—(Mr. George Cunningham).

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 19 to 23) made to the Bill.
The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

National Health Service.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the National Health Service (Dental and Optical Charges and Remission of Charges) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 307), dated 2nd March 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 4th March, be annulled.—(Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody);
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. George Morton : 77.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Alastair Goodlad : 136.

So the Question was negatived.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Tony Newton);
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 1st April, 1981:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.1 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday 31st March 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

- Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
  (1) 18th March 1981, and
  (2) 19th March 1981
  relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

- Coal Industry.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 9th March 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the National Coal Board [by Act].

- Electricity (Scotland).—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
  (1) 9th March 1981,
  (2) 9th March 1981, and
  (3) 9th March 1981
  on loans proposed to be raised by the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board [by Act].

- Water.—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 10th March 1981 on loans raised by—
  (1) the Severn-Trent Water Authority,
  (2) the South West Water Authority, and
  (3) the Thames Water Authority
  [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

- European Communities (No. 21, 1981).—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 6th November 1980, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Sweden consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8188].

- Turkey (No. 1, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Ankara on 5th December 1980, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Turkey on certain commercial debts (the Agreement is not in force) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8189].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

- Industry.—Copy of a Direction of the Secretary of State for Industry to the National Enterprise Board to transfer to him all shares of BL Limited held by the Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

- Road Traffic.—Copies of Regulations, dated 23rd March 1981, entitled—
  (1) the Road Transport (International Passenger Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 461), and
  (2) the Road Transport (Northern Ireland Passenger Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 462)
  [by Act].

- Transport.—Statement of determination of the salaries of members of the British Railways Board [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

- Industrial Organisation and Development.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Apple and Pear Development Council for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

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

- Countryside Commission (Scotland).—Copy of the Account of the Countryside Commission for Scotland for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 261].

MEMORANDA

Tuesday 31st March 1981

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 43 (Business Committee), Mr. Speaker nominated Mr. Albert Booth, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Secretary Fowler, Mr. John Prescott, and Mr. Geoffrey Robinson, to be members of the Business Committee in respect of the Transport Bill.
In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill to Standing Committee A; and the Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. R. C. Mitchell Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981, in place of Mr. Michael English.

[No. 80.]

Wednesday, 1st April, 1981.

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:

Sion College Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

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

Armed Forces Bill.—Mr. Cyril D. Townsend reported from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 253-iii].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-viii].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Eighteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xviii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xviii].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table.

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [Concorde].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 265].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 265].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 255-iii].
Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-iii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xix].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-v].

Education Bill,—Mr. John Wells reported from the Special Standing Committee on the Education Bill, That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 109].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 267].

Horserace Betting Levy Bill,—Mr. R. Bonner Pink reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Horserace Betting Levy Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 8th May; and to be printed [Bill 107].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 263].

Social Security Bill,—Sir Albert Costain reported from Standing Committee G, That they had gone through the Social Security Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Monday 6th April; and to be printed [Bill 110].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 269].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. R. C. Mitchell reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Trade Descriptions (Origin Marking) (Miscellaneous Goods) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 11th March.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 264].

Companies Bill,—Ordered, That the Companies Bill be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Road Traffic Offences,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give powers for the police to detain short-term visitors to Great Britain whom they suspect of having committed serious traffic offences: And that Mr. Gerrard Neale do prepare and bring it in.

Road Traffic Offences Bill,—Mr. Gerrard Neale accordingly presented a Bill to give powers for the police to detain short-term visitors to Great Britain whom they suspect of having committed serious traffic offences: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 1st May and to be printed [Bill 108].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 265].

British Telecommunications Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Telecommunications Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Marking Orders) (Mr. Kenneth Baker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Information etc. to be given in advertisements) (Mr. Kenneth Baker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Offences under sections (Marking Orders) and (Information etc. to be given in advertisements) due to default of third person) (Mr. Kenneth Baker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Offences by bodies corporate etc.) (Mr. Kenneth Baker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Power of managers of certain welfare funds to preserve their scope) (Mr. Kenneth Baker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Right to strike)—(Mr. Charles R. 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. James Hamilton, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 231.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather : 287.

Another Clause (Interception of mail)—(Mr. Ian Mikardo)—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. Frank R. White, Mr. Allen McKay : 224.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Alastair Goodlad : 284.

An Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, to leave out lines 31 to 35.—(Mr. John Golding.)

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, at this day’s sitting, the British Telecommunications Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

British Telecommunications Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the British Telecommunications Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 2) be made to the Bill:—Debate resumed.

Question put and negatived.

An Amendment (No. 100) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 34, at the end, to insert the words—

“(2) As regards any wholly owned subsidiary the Corporation shall secure that notwithstanding anything in the subsidiary’s Memorandum or Article of Association the subsidiary shall comply with the provisions of Schedule 1(12) to this Act”.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 8) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 24, to leave out from the first word “The” to the word “dispose” in line 26, and insert the words “Corporation may, after consultation with the Secretary of State,”—(a)”, instead thereof.—(Mr. John Golding.)

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

Thursday, 2nd April, 1981:

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

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather : 122.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Allen McKay : 192.

So the Question was negatived.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 193.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather : 280.

Other Amendments (Nos. 101 to 105) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 13) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, to leave out lines 40 to 46.—(Mr. Stanley Orme.)
Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Ian Mikardo):—The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate resumed.

Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Allen McKay: 174.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 263.

Other Amendments (Nos. 99, 106, 107, 14 to 23, 25 and 27) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 28) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 36, to leave out from the beginning to the second word “ by ” in line 39.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Frank R. White: 165.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 256.

Another Amendment (No. 29) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned—(Mr. Ian Mikardo);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Dennis Skinner: 54.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 250.

So the Question was negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 36 to 38, 42, 43, 45 to 47, 49 and 50) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 51) proposed to the Bill, in page 24, line 20, to leave out Clause No. 23.—(Mr. Stanley Orme.)

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

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

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. John Cope: 250.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. George Morton: 140.

So the Question was agreed to.

Question put accordingly and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 52) proposed to the Bill, in page 29, line 40, to leave out Clause No. 30.—(Mr. Charles R. Morris.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 54) proposed to the Bill, in page 39, line 36, to leave out Clause No. 47 and insert the words—

" 47. (1) A person who—

(a) intentionally intercepts any message or other matter carried by means of a public telecommunication system (including any such system provided, under a licence, otherwise than by the Corporation);  
(b) instigates any person engaged in the business of the Corporation to intercept such a message or other matter; or  
(c) discloses the contents of any message or other matter intercepted under paragraph (a) or (b) above,

unless acting in obedience to a warrant issued pursuant to the following provisions of this section, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction on indictment to a fine not exceeding £5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years or to both.

(2) Proceedings for an offence under subsection (1) above shall not be instituted in England or Wales except by or with the consent of the Attorney General, or in Northern Ireland except by or with the consent of the Attorney-General for Northern Ireland."
(3) No person shall be guilty of an offence under subsection (1) above as respects any act done by him whilst engaged in the business of the Corporation.

(4) The Secretary of State may, on the application of a chief officer of police or the Commissioners of Customs and Excise, issue a warrant for the interception and disclosure of telecommunications if he is satisfied that—

(a) it would assist in the detection of a serious offence;
(b) normal methods of investigation have been tried and have failed or from the nature of things are unlikely to succeed if tried; and
(c) there is good reason to think that the interception would result in a conviction for that offence.

In this subsection 'serious offence' means—

(i) an offence for which a person not previously convicted could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years; or
(ii) an offence in which either a large number of people is involved or there is good reason to apprehend the use of violence.

(5) The Secretary of State may, on the application of a chief officer of police or the Director-General of the Security Service issue a warrant for the interception and disclosures of telecommunications if he is satisfied that—

(a) it would assist in the detection of a major subversive, terrorist or espionage activity giving rise to external or internal danger to the defence of the realm; and
(b) normal methods of investigation have been tried and have failed or from the nature of things are unlikely to succeed if tried.

(6) An application for a warrant under this section shall be made in writing and shall specify—

(a) the person whose telecommunications it is sought to intercept and the telecommunications in question; and
(b) the facts and circumstances in support of the application;

but the Secretary of State may allow any information required under paragraph (b) above to be provided orally and not in writing in respect of an application for a warrant under subsection (5) above.

(7) Except in a case of emergency, any warrant under this section shall be issued only under the hand of the Secretary of State; and, in any such case, shall be confirmed under his hand as soon as reasonably practicable after issue.

(8) In this section 'intercept' includes the doing of any act designed to enable an interception to take place, and 'intercepts', 'intercepted' and 'interception' shall be construed accordingly, instead thereof.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

An Amendment ((a)) proposed to the proposed Amendment, in line 33, to leave out the word "subversive".—(Mr. Ian Mikardo.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Amendment.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ian Mikardo, Mr. Dennis Skinner : 145.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. John Cope : 255.

Another Amendment ((b)) proposed to the proposed Amendment, in line 51, at the end, to add the words "subversive activity" means activity whose objective is the overthrow by force of the government of the realm".—(Mr. Ian Mikardo.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Amendment.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. Bob Cryer : 147.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather : 260.

Question put, That the Amendment (No. 54) be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Austin Mitchell : 170.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather : 255.

Another Amendment (No. 53) proposed to the Bill, in page 39, line 36, to leave out Clause No. 47.—(Mr. Michael Marshall.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. John Cope: 262.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. James Tinn: 175.

Other Amendments (Nos. 55 to 58, 115, 60 and 116 to 122) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 66) proposed to the Bill, in page 54, line 24, to leave out from the word 'addressee' to the end of line 26.—(Mr. Charles R. Morris.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 67) proposed to the Bill, in page 54, line 38, to leave out Clause 65 and insert the words—

's 65. The privilege conferred by section 64(1) can be waived by the Post Office with the consent of, or in accordance with a general authority given by, the Secretary of State, and is not infringed by section 3(2) of the 1953 Act', instead thereof.—(Mr. Charles R. Morris.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Allen McKay: 151.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 260.

Another Amendment (No. 71) proposed to the Bill, in page 66, line 4, after the word 'State', to insert the words 'and with the trade unions recognised as representing the employees of Cable and Wireless Limited'.—(Mr. Ian Mikardo.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 152.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 252.

Other Amendments (Nos. 73 to 76, 108, 77, 78, 109 to 111, 79 to 89, 112, 114, 90, 92, to 96 and 98) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 257.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Allen McKay: 156.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—Debate arising;

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 half-past Three o'clock on Thursday afternoon, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 1st April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Overseas Development and Co-operation,—Statement of the total sums issued out of, and repayments made into, the Consolidated Fund up to 31st March 1981 in pursuance of guarantees given by the Treasury in pursuance of section 8(1) of the Overseas Development and Co-operation Act 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


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European Communities (No. 22, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 28th November 1980, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Austria consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [by Command] [Cmnd. 8190].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Health and Social Services (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Accounts of the Health and Social Services Boards, the Northern Ireland Central Services Agency for the Health and Social Services, and the Northern Ireland Staffs Council for the Health and Social Services for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [by Command] [Cmnd. 8178].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Fees and Charges,—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th March 1981, entitled the Measuring Instruments (EEC Requirements) (Gas Volume Meters) (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 505) [by Act].

Gas,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th March 1981, entitled the Gas (Meter) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 504) [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Food and Drugs,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th March 1981, entitled the Fresh Meat Export (Hygiene and Inspection) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 454) [by Act].

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

Petroleum and Submarine Pipelines,—Copy of the National Oil Account for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 268].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill, viz.: Mr. Donald Anderson, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. David Hunt, Dr. J. Dickson Mabon, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Eric Ogden, Mr. John Prescott, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Anthony Steen, Mr. Martin Stevens, Mr. Malcolm Thornton, and Mr. David Waddington.

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. John Blackburn, Mr. Michael Colvin, Mr. David Crouch, Miss Janet Fookes, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. Hector Monro, Mr. James Pawsey, Mr. Allan Roberts, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. William Whitlock, and Mr. Keith Wickenden.

First Scottish Standing Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the First Standing Committee Mr. Harry Ewing (nominated in respect of the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. George Foulkes.

[No. 81.]

Friday, 3rd April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Privileges,—Mr. Francis Pym reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom was referred the matter of the complaint by Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Member for Workington, of a conversation concerning British Steel Corporation policy towards Workington that took place in the offices of the Corporation on Thursday 18th
December 1980 between Mr. Ian MacGregor and the honourable Member for Workington, That they had considered the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, together with Appendices: 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. 214].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 214].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland 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 Water Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Water Bill.—Lords Amendment to the Water Bill to be considered upon Monday 6th April; and to be printed [Bill 111].

Foreign Affairs.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordsships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Soames to attend to be examined as a witness before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee of the Foreign Affairs Committee.—(Sir Anthony Kershaw.)

Social Services.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordsships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Annan to attend to be examined as a witness before the Social Services Committee.—(Mrs. Renée Short.)

Industry and the School Curriculum.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, noting the recent Government review of the 16 to 19 age group, urges local education authorities to reappraise their post-16 provision; and, welcoming the Government’s proposals for the use of micro-electronics in education, urges closer collaboration between industry and commerce and schools and colleges.—(Mr. Gerrard Neale);

And it being Eleven o’clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5 (Friday sittings).

Industry and the School Curriculum.—The Question being again proposed, That this House, noting the recent Government review of the 16 to 19 age group, urges local education authorities to reappraise their post-16 provision; and, welcoming the Government’s proposals for the use of micro-electronics in education, urges closer collaboration between industry and commerce and schools and colleges;

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House, noting the recent Government review of the 16 to 19 age group, urges local education authorities to reappraise their post-16 provision; and, welcoming the Government’s proposals for the use of micro-electronics in education, urges closer collaboration between industry and commerce and schools and colleges.

Water Authorities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House calls on the Government to take steps further to curtail the bureaucracy of the water authorities.—(Mr. Marcus Kimball):—Debate arising;

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Foreign Affairs.—Ordered, That Miss Betty Boothroyd be discharged from the Foreign Affairs Committee and Mr. George Foulkes be added to the Committee.—(Mr Ronald W. Brown, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

Adjourned at 2.59 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Friday 3rd April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Civil List Pensions.—List of pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1980 under section 4(1) of the Civil List Act 1972 [by Act].

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Mr. Peter Walker:

Seeds,—Copy of Regulations dated 26th March 1981, entitled the Seed Potatoes (Fees) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 490) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee G,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill to serve on Standing Committee G in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

MEMORANDA

Friday 3rd April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr Speaker allocated the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill to Standing Committee G (transferred from Standing Committee A).

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr Speaker appointed Mr. John Wells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill; and Mr. Ted Leadbetter an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Employment and Training Bill.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Miss Betty Boothroyd Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill in the place of Mr. Paul Dean.

[No. 82.]

Monday, 6th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow at Seven o'clock.

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

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

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

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

Humberside Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

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

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

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

East Sussex Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East Sussex Bill [Lords];

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

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts 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 (Second Report) [The International Centre for the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property: Rome].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 274].
Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts 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 (Third Report) [Public and Private Funding of the Arts: interim Report on works of art; their retention in Britain and their acquisition by public bodies].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 275].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 271-i].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 270-i].

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xx].

Transport Bill (Business Committee).—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Business Committee, That they had come to a Resolution, in respect of the Transport Bill, which they had directed him to report to the House:

That—

(1) the order in which proceedings on consideration are taken shall be new Clauses, Amendments to Clauses 1 to 4, Schedule 1, Clauses 5 to 14, Schedules 2 to 4, Clauses 15 to 18, Schedules 5 and 6, Clauses 19 to 22, Schedule 7, Clauses 23 and 24, Clauses 25 to 28, Schedules 8 and 9, Clauses 29 to 35 and Schedules 10 and 11 and new Schedules;

(2) the proceedings on the day which under the Order [9th March] is allotted to Consideration and Third Reading shall be divided into the parts shown in the Table set out below and, subject to the provisions of that Order, each part shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the second column of that Table.

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Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report) [The 1981 Budget and the Government’s Expenditure Plans 1981-82 to 1983-84].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 232].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 232].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments the Protection of Birds Acts 1954 to 1967 and the Conservation of Wild Creatures and Wild Plants Acts 1965 to 1975; to prohibit certain methods of killing or taking wild animals; to restrict the introduction of certain animals and plants; to amend the Deer Act 1963, the Conservation of Seals Act 1970, the Badgers Act 1973 and the Endangered Species Export and Import Act 1976; to amend the law relating to nature conservation, the countryside and National Parks and to make provision with respect to the Countryside Commission; to amend the law relating to public rights of way; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords]].
The Lords have agreed to the Charterhouse Japhet Bill, without Amendment.

Foreign Affairs.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Soames to attend to be examined as a witness before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee appointed by the Foreign Affairs Committee, his Lordship in his place consenting.

Social Services.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Annan to attend to be examined as a witness before the Social Services Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—The Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 112].

Sittings of the House.—Resolved, That this House do meet on Thursday 16th April at half-past Nine o’clock, that no Questions be taken after half-past Ten o’clock, and that at half-past Three o’clock Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without putting any Question.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Adjournment (Easter and May Day).—Resolved, That this House at its rising on Thursday 16th April do adjourn till Monday 27th April and at its rising on Friday 1st May do adjourn till Tuesday 5th May and that this House shall not adjourn on Thursday 16th April until Mr. Speaker shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts which have been agreed upon by both Houses.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Insurance Companies Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Insurance Companies Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Commissions)—(Mr. John Fraser)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—

Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Requirements to inform the actuary and obtain his report)—(Mr. John Roper)—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.

An Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 29, to leave out subsection (5).—(Sir Graham Page.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 39, at the end, to insert the words—

“ (3) The Secretary of State shall make provision for a right to apply to the courts should there be any refusal but such right to apply shall not include an appeal save on a point of law ”.—(Mr. John Fraser.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 5 to 8) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 20, to leave out the word “ two ” and insert the word “ five ”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Clinton Davis.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 13, 15, 16, 37, 17 to 22 and 24) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Determination of Premium Limit)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Other Amendments (Nos. 30 to 36) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.


Biomolecular Engineering Research.—Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 4460/80 on Biomolecular Engineering Research and of the explanatory memoranda dated 19th February 1980 and 8th December 1980; supports the Government’s intention to ensure that Community research in this area should be beneficial in terms of the policy priorities of both the Community and the United Kingdom; and supports the intention to ensure that there is no duplication of effort in this area.—(Mr. Michael Marshall.)
Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

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

[Adjourned at 11.25 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 6th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
- Broadcasting,—Statement of determination of the pension of the Chairman of the Independent Broadcasting Authority [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
- Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Copies of Acts of Sederunt, dated—
  (1) 25th March 1981, entitled the Act of Sederunt (Amendment of Fees for Sheriff Clerks) 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 514), and
  (2) 27th March 1981, entitled the Act of Sederunt (Solicitors’ Fees) 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 499)
  [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

[No. 83.]

Tuesday, 7th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Sion College Bill [Lords],—The Sion College 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).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Sixteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxv].

Armed Forces Bill,—Mr. Cyril D. Townsend reported from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 253-iii].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36-viii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-iii].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Anthony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 243-iii].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-viii].

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, that they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xxi].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th April and a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Thirteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xiii].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xiv].

Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.—Mr. John Wells reported from Standing Committee A, that they had gone through the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, and had 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. 278].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Charterhouse Japhet Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Lloyds Bank Bill, without Amendment.

Welsh Affairs.—Ordered, that the matter of the Reorganisation of the National Health Service in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for their consideration.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

European Community Documents.—Ordered, that European Community Document No. R/3298/78, concerning divisions of public limited companies (scissions), be referred to a Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Co-ownership of Flats.—Ordered, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to give powers to residents of flats in private ownership in purpose-built blocks and in certain conversions jointly to purchase the premises of which their flats are part; to specify the procedures to be adopted; to amend the Housing Act 1980 in respect of the powers of local authorities to acquire land in certain circumstances for the purpose of its disposal to residents of flats built thereon acting as joint purchasers; to make consequential provisions as to the management and upkeep of premises so purchased; and for connected purposes: And that Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Nicholas Scott, Mr. William Shelton, Mr. Martin Stevens, and Mr. John Wheeler, do prepare and bring it in.

Co-ownership of Flats Bill.—Sir Brandon Rhys Williams accordingly presented a Bill to give powers to residents of flats in private ownership in purpose-built blocks and in certain conversions jointly to purchase the premises of which their flats are part; to specify the procedures to be adopted; to amend the Housing Act 1980 in respect of the powers of local authorities to acquire land in certain circumstances for the purpose of its disposal to residents of flats built thereon acting as joint purchasers; to make consequential provisions as to the management and upkeep of premises so purchased; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 177].

Supply [15th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Youth Unemployment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns Her Majesty's Government for creating unprecedented youth unemployment, continuing anxiety to school leavers and their parents and frustration to educationists and for wasting the human resources vital to the regeneration of the economy—(Mr. John Grant);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question and add the words “this House regrets the high level of unemployment amongst young people during the present economic
recession, but welcomes the Government's massive expansion of the Youth Opportunities Programme and the new undertakings given by the Manpower Services Commission to provide young people with opportunities on the Programme; and strongly reaffirms that only through the Government's economic strategy can a lasting improvement in the economy be achieved and much-needed new and secure jobs be provided for young people*, instead thereof.—(Mr. David Waddington.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 238.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 288.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House regrets the high level of unemployment amongst young people during the present economic recession, but welcomes the Government's massive expansion of the Youth Opportunities Programme and the new undertakings given by the Manpower Services Commission to provide young people with opportunities on the Programme; and strongly reaffirms that only through the Government's economic strategy can a lasting improvement in the economy be achieved and much-needed new and secure jobs be provided for young people.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].

Amendments (Nos. 18, 13 and 14) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 52, line 15, to leave out Clause No. 56.—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Ken Eastham: 103.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Fergus Montgomery, Mr. Tom Arnold: 167.

Other Amendments (Nos. 7 and 8) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 17) proposed to the Bill, in page 132, line 28, to leave out Clause No. 166.—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Bill to be read the third time.

Ways and Means,—Transport (No. 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the reconstitution of the British Transport Docks Board and to confer on a company powers over that body corresponding to the powers of a holding company over a wholly-owned subsidiary, it is expedient to authorise any charge to tax attributable to provisions treating as dividends payments made by that body to that company—(Mr. Kenneth Clarke);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Donald Thompson: 168.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. James Tinn: 93.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the reconstitution of the British Transport Docks Board and to confer on a company powers over that body corresponding to the powers of a holding company over a wholly-owned subsidiary, it is expedient to authorise any charge to tax attributable to provisions treating as dividends payments made by that body to that company.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That at this day's sitting, the Motion relating to Members’ Salaries may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or for one and a half hours after it has been entered upon, whichever is the later.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Members' Salaries.—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Members' Salaries;
Resolved, That the following provisions about salaries of Members of this House be made:

The salary payable to Members of each of the descriptions in the first column of the following Table—

(a) in respect of service on and after 13th June 1980 and before 13th June 1981 shall be at the yearly rate specified in relation to that description in the second column of that Table; and

(b) in respect of service on and after 13th June 1981 shall be at the yearly rate specified in relation to that description in the third column of that Table.

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—(Mr. Patrick Mayhew.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Queen’s University of Belfast (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 25th February, be approved.—(Mr. John Patten.)

Armed Forces Bill,—Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill have power to adjourn from place to place.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with technical knowledge either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee’s order of reference.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Wednesday 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 twenty-four minutes past Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.24 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 7th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Police,—Copy of the Report of the Police Complaints Board for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 239].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 27, 1981).—Copy of an Internal Agreement amending the Internal Agreement on the financing and administration of Community aid of 20th November 1979 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8219].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

National Health Service.—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th March 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 501) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Museums and Galleries,—Copy of a Statement of increase in the value of indemnities for loss of objects loaned to the National Museum of Wales [by Command].

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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Education and Science on the Petition [12th March] from members of the Oxford University Student's Union for the rejection of policies to raise overseas students' fees [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Nature Conservancy Council,—Copy of the Account of the Nature Conservancy Council for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 276].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 7th April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated European Community Document No. R/3298/78 concerning divisions of public limited companies (scissions) to the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.

[No. 84.1

Wednesday, 8th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords] (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, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-v].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-i].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 221-v].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 270-ii].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, 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) [The Committee's work, December 1979 to February 1981].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 280].
Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 182-iv].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th March.

Appendices to Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 204].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 31-xxii].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 174-vi].

Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill,—Miss Betty Boothroyd reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill, and had made Amendments thereto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 1st May ; and to be printed.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 279].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Allied Irish Banks Bill, with Amendments ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Co-ownership of Flats,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Co-ownership of Flats Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 1st May.

House of Commons (Services)—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 8th April to be printed [No. 46-iii].

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the disorderly conduct of Mr. Ron Brown, Member for Edinburgh, Leith, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 23 (Disorderly conduct), ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House for the remainder of this day's sitting, but Mr. Brown persisted in his disorderly conduct ;

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 23 (Disorderly conduct), named him for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

Ordered, That Mr. Ron Brown be suspended from the service of the House.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)

Mr. Speaker then directed Mr. Ron Brown to withdraw from the House:—And he withdrew accordingly.

Prayer Book Protection,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for parishioners in any parish to require certain forms of service to be used in the parish—(Viscount Cranborne) ;

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. Robert Atkins, Mr. Nicholas Baker : 152.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. van Straubenzee, Mr. Ken Eastham : 130.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Viscount Cranborne, Mr. William Waldegrave, Mr. Frank Field, Mr. J. Enoch Powell, Mr. Michael English, and Mr. Robert Atkins, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Prayer Book Protection [No. 2] Bill,—Viscount Cranborne accordingly presented a Bill to provide for parishioners in any parish to require certain forms of service to be used in the parish :—And the same was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 1st May and to be printed [Bill 114].
Supply [16th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Developments in the European Community.—Resolved, That this House takes note of the Report on Developments in the European Community, July to December 1980 (Cmd. 8195).—(Sir Ian Gilmour.)

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Water Bill and the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Water Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendment to the Water Bill; and the same was agreed to.

Energy Conservation Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Energy Conservation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Voluntary code of practice)—(Mr. Alex Eadie)—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 (Coin operated gas meter)—(Mr. Joe Ashton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:


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Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. James Tinn: 51.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 105.

Another Clause (Promotion of combined heat and power)—(Mr. Peter Rost)—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. 2 and 4 to 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 15, line 38, to leave out Clause No. 16 and insert the words—

" 16. At the end of section 60 of the Water Resources Act 1963 (exemption from and reduction of charges payable to water authorities) the following subsection shall be inserted—

(7) No charges shall be levied in respect of water authorised by a licence to be abstracted for use as a source of energy if and so far as such water is returned to the same source of supply ".—(Mr. David Crouch.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 8) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 8, at the end, to insert the words—

"(1A) The Secretary of State shall reimburse any local weights and measures authority for all additional expenses incurred as a result of carrying out its duties under the provisions of orders made under Part I of this Act."

—(Mr. Alex Eadie.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Public Petitions.—A Petition from British citizens resident in Venezuela praying for amendment of the British Nationality Bill was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Two o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.7 a.m.]
APPENDIX I

Wednesday 8th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Sexual Offences,—Copy of a Report of the Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences on the age of consent in relation to sexual offences [by Command] [Cmnd. 8216].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on asbestos [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Mr. Francis Pym:

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

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

Magistrates’ Courts,—Copies of Rules, dated 20th March 1981, entitled—
(1) the Magistrates’ Courts Rules 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 552), and
(2) the Magistrates’ Courts (Forms) Rules 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 553) [by Act].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the Third Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 250].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Document No. R /3298 /78, concerning divisions of public limited companies (seissions), viz.: Mr. Jack Aspinwall, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Graham Bright, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. David Ginsburg, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. Tom McNally, Mr. Bryan Magee, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. James Tinn, and Mr. Bowen Wells.

Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Three Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Reorganisation of the National Health Service in Wales, viz.: Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. John Cope, and Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones.

[No. 85.]

Thursday, 9th April, 1981

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

PRAYERS.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 16th April.
London Transport Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Transport Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 16th April.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 16th April.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday 16th April.

East Sussex Bill [Lords].—The East Sussex Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, 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).

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-x].

European Legislation, &c.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Nineteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xix].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xix].

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xxiii].

Public Expenditure.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the White Paper on the Government's Expenditure Plans 1981-82 to 1983-84 (Cmnd. 8175) (Mr. Leon Britton);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "rejects the White Paper on the Government's Expenditure Plans 1981-82 to 1983-84 (Cmnd. 8175) because it will increase unemployment, raise the cost of living, reduce public investment, damage public services both locally and nationally and because it reflects the erroneous belief that public expenditure is itself the principal cause of Britain's economic difficulties", instead thereof. (Mr. Peter Shore.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. James Hamilton: 232.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 300.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;


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

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

[Adjourned at 10.42 p.m.

APPENDIX

Thursday 9th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Supply Estimates (Revised Estimates), 1981-82,—Revised Estimates for Civil Services (Class IV) for the service of the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 266].
Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 20th March 1981,
(2) 23rd March 1981,
(3) 25th March 1981,
(4) 26th March 1981,
(5) 27th March 1981,
(6) 2nd April 1981, and
(7) 3rd April 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:
European Communities.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP—EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Urban Development.—Copies of Orders, dated 6th April 1981, entitled—
(1) the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Greater London Council) Order 1981, and
(2) the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Port of London Authority) Order 1981
[by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Administration of Justice.—Copy of the Accounts of the Funds of Suitors of the Supreme Court and of the County Courts, and of the Common Investment Funds administered by the Public Trustee for the year ended 29th February 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 283].


MEMORANDUM

Thursday 9th April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairman of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Albert Costain Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords]; Mr. Ifor Davies Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Reorganisation of the National Health Service in Wales; and Mr. Michael English Chairman of the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Document No. R/3298/78, concerning divisions of public limited companies (scissions).

[No. 86]

Friday, 10th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

British Constitution.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House believes in preserving the unity of the United Kingdom and all the great institutions of the realm, namely, the monarchy, the church, the Houses of Parliament, the judiciary, the armed services of the Crown and the police; and deplores the attacks on these institutions by those who ought to know better—(Mr. John Stokes):—Debate arising:

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Donald Thompson 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.

English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That, in respect of the English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Michael Jopling.)

Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That, in respect of the Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Michael Jopling.)

National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That, in respect of the National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Michael Jopling.)

Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That, in respect of the Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Michael Jopling.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute past Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 10th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

National Debt,—Copies of Regulations, dated 25th March 1981, entitled—
(1) the National Savings Stock Register (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 485), and
(2) the Savings Certificates (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 486) [by Act].

New Towns,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 8th April 1981 on a loan raised by the Cwmbran Development Corporation [by Act].


Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 97, 1980),—Copy of the Index to the Treaty Series 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8176].

Treaty Series (No. 15, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Ankara on 19th December 1980, on a loan by Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom to the Government of the Republic of Turkey (The United Kingdom/Turkey (Ankara Water Project) Loan 1980) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8194].

Treaty Series (No. 18, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Nicosia on 2nd April 1980, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus amending the Convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income signed at Nicosia on 20th June 1974 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8198].
Mr. Secretary Younger:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copies of Orders, dated 1st April 1981, entitled—

(1) the Amusements with Prizes (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 547), and

(2) the Gaming Act (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 546) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of—


(4) Regulations, dated 8th April 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Fire Appliances) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 574),


(6) Regulations, dated 8th April 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 577),


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Mr. Peter Walker:


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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Chief Secretary to the Treasury on the Petition [24th March] from citizens of the United Kingdom for the reduction of interest rates, a halt to public expenditure cuts, investment in new industry, increases in training and retraining programmes and the improvement of the international trading position to increase the availability of jobs [by Standing Order]; to be printed.
Monday, 13th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Allied Irish Banks Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Allied Irish Banks Bill, and the same were agreed to.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Greater Manchester Bill [Lords] be read the third time to-morrow.

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

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 110-vil].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 271-iil].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 284-i].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make fresh provision for England and Wales and Northern Ireland with respect to forgery and kindred offences; to make fresh provision for Great Britain and Northern Ireland with respect to the counterfeiting of notes and coins and kindred offences; to amend the penalties for offences under section 63 of the Post Office Act 1953; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for certain additional matters to be considered and principles to be applied in interpreting Acts of Parliament and other instruments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Matrimonial Homes Act 1967, and to make further provision as to the rights of husbands and wives to possession or occupation of any matrimonial home or former matrimonial home, and as to orders for the sale of property under the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to promote the reform of the statute law by the repeals, 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; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate with amendments the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act 1925 and other enactments relating to the Supreme Court in England and Wales and the administration of justice therein; to repeal certain obsolete or unnecessary enactments so relating; to amend Part VIII of the Mental Health Act 1959, the Courts-Martial (Appeals) Act 1968, the Arbitration Act 1979 and the law relating to county courts; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Supreme Court Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to relieve the British Railways Board from certain statutory obligations relating to Victoria Station in London; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords].

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 117].

Supreme Court Bill [Lords].—The Supreme Court Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 116].
British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords].—The British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords].—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee—(Mr. Donald Thompson);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer : 170.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. David Alton : 12.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee.

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 for three-quarters of an hour after they have been entered upon, whichever is the later, and that at the end of that period Mr. Speaker shall proceed to put any Question necessary to dispose of those proceedings.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

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 put, That the Bill be now read a second time ;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 309.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 253.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords], the Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords], the National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords], the Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords] and the Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Finance Bill,—Ordered, That Clauses 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules 1, 2 and 11 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.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

English Industrial Estates Corporation Bill [Lords].—The English Industrial Estates Corporation 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 Cope.)

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 10 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Cope 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.

Film Levy Finance Bill [Lords].—The Film Levy Finance 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 Cope.)

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 11 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Cope 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.

National Film Finance Corporation Bill [Lords].—The National Film Finance Corporation 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 Cope.)

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 10 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Anthony Berry 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.

Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords].—The Public Passenger Vehicles Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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 89 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 8 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords],—The Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee to-morrow.

Scottish Affairs,—Ordered, That Mr. Allan Stewart be discharged from the Committee on Scottish Affairs and Mr. Bill Walker be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

Environment,—Ordered, That Mr. Reginald Freeson be added to the Environment Committee.—(Mr. Philip Holland, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.38 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 13th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Coal Industry,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th April 1981, entitled the Opencast Coal (Rate of Interest on Compensation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 599) [by Act].

National Health Service,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—

1. 20th March 1981, and
2. 20th March 1981

on stock issued by the General Practice Finance Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Seeds,—Copy of Regulations, dated 31st March 1981, entitled the Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 548) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


Tuesday, 14th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater Manchester Bill [Lords],—The Greater Manchester Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Standing Orders (Private Business),—Ordered, That Standing Order 39 (Deposit of copies of bills at Treasury and other public departments, etc.) be amended, as follows:

Line 16, leave out "Somerset House".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Orders (Private Business),—Ordered, That Standing Order 156B (Clause to be inserted in Bills authorising expenditure affecting grants under enactments relating to local government) be amended, as follows:
Line 9, leave out from " for " to end of line 12 and insert " the purpose of determining the aggregate amount of rate support grants under the enactments relating to local government in England and Wales or in Scotland, as the case may be ".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Orders (Private Business).—Ordered, That Standing Order 174 (Time and manner of taking private business) be amended, as follows:

Line 15, after " motion ", insert " (other than a notice of motion in the name of the Chairman of Ways and Means) ".

Line 29, leave out from " down " to end of line 32 and insert " shall be distributed as nearly as may be proportionately between days allotted to the business of supply and other days on which government business has precedence ".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Orders (Private Business).—Ordered, That Standing Order 220 (Greater London Council (Money) Bills) be amended, as follows:

Line 2, leave out " 29 " and insert " 29A ".

Line 5, leave out from " to " to end of line 6 and insert " borrowing and lending by the Council and prescribed expenditure of the Council ".

Line 70, at end add—

" (3) In this Order and Standing Order 221 (Limitation of power of committees on Greater London Council (Money) Bills) references to prescribed expenditure of the Council are to be construed in accordance with paragraphs 25A, 25B and 29A of Schedule 2 to the London Government Act 1963 ".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Orders (Private Business).—Ordered, That Standing Order 221 (Limitation of powers of committees on Greater London Council (Money) Bills) be amended, as follows:

Line 4, leave out from beginning to " for " in line 5 and insert " the London Transport Executive or any of their wholly-owned subsidiaries any power involving prescribed expenditure of the Council ".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Orders (Private Business).—Ordered, That Standing Order 231 (Presentation of petition for Bill under section 1(4) of the Procedure Act) be amended, as follows:

Line 2, leave out from " which " to end of line 3 and insert " a representation under section 1(4) of the Procedure Act would be required ".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the said Amendments be printed [No. 287].

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 14th April and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventeenth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxvi].

Minutes of Evidence, together with a Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxvil].

Armed Forces Bill.—Mr. Cyril D. Townsend reported from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 14th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 253-iv].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 14th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-iv].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 14th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 117-iii].
Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 14th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-ix].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xv].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th March.

Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 2321].

Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill (changed to Education (Scotland) Bill).—Mr. Harry Gourlay reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, That they had gone through the Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 121].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 286].

Employment and Training Bill.—Mr. David Watkins reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Employment and Training Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 119].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 285].

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 Greater Manchester Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords].—The Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 1st May and to be printed [Bill 120].

Imprisonment of Prostitutes (Abolition).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the term "common prostitute" in law; to abolish sentences of imprisonment for soliciting offences; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Matthew Parris, Mr. Charles Irving, Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk, Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. John Wheeler, Mr. Frank Dobson, Miss Janet Fookes, and Miss Jo Richardson, do prepare and bring it in.

Imprisonment of Prostitutes (Abolition) Bill.—Mr. Clive Soley accordingly presented a Bill to abolish the term "common prostitute" in law; to abolish sentences of imprisonment for soliciting offences; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June and to be printed [Bill 118].

Transport Bill (Allocation of Time).—Ordered, That the Report [6th April] from the Business Committee be now considered.-(Mr. Secretary Fowler.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Report.

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 43 (Business Committee), That this House doth agree with the Committee in their Resolution:—It was agreed to.

Transport Bill [alotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Transport Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Road Humps) (Mr. Kenneth Clarke)—brought up, and read the first time.
Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—
Debate arising:

Mr. Robert Rhodes James 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 Five o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order
[9th March] and the Resolution this day, to put forthwith the Question already proposed
from the Chair.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and agreed to.

Clause added to the Bill.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 2, at the end, to insert
the words "Subsidiary in this subsection shall not be deemed to include British Rail
Engineering Limited".—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Hamilton: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 287.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 5, at the end, to
insert the words—

"(3) Where by consent of the Secretary of State under section 1(2) or by direction
of the Secretary of State under section 3(1) British Railways sell more than 50 per cent.
of the shares in any one of their subsidiaries, British Railways shall not be held to be
in control of that subsidiary for the purpose of public sector control of British Railways
External Financing Limit".—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 36, at the end, to
insert the words—

"Where any matter concerning the sale of a British Railways sub-
sidiary has been referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission the Secretary of
State shall not direct the Board to sell this subsidiary, or part of it, if he has refused
consent for a sale or a merger by British Railways of another subsidiary operating a
competing service".—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

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

And it being half past Six o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the
Order [9th March] and the Resolution this day, to put forthwith the Question already
proposed from the Chair.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Allen McKay: 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 299.

Mr. Deputy Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the
disposal of the business to be concluded at half past Six o'clock.

Amendments (Nos. 5, 9 and 10) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 11) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 17, at the end, to
insert the words—

"(5) The Secretary of State shall give directions to secure that if a majority of the
total nominal value of the shares are sold there shall be voting and non-voting shares and
that a majority of the voting shares are retained by the Secretary of State".—(Mr.
John Prescott.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton. Mr. George Morton: 216.


Another Amendment (No. 13) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 5, to leave out
subsection (3) and insert the words—
“(3) The Board of the Holding Company shall consist of two directors appointed by the Secretary of State and not less than 3 and not more than 11 determined by the Holding Company”, instead thereof.—(Mr. John Prescott.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. George Morton: 209.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 300.

And it being after Eight o’clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order [9th March] and the Resolution this day, to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at Eight o’clock.

Other Amendments (Nos. 16 to 18) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 25, to leave out the word “determine” and insert the words “alter in accordance with the provisions of this section”, instead thereof.—(Mr. John Prescott.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 22 and 43 to 48) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 24) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 30, at the end, to insert the words—

“In section 88(4) of the 1972 Act the following words are inserted:—

‘(c) a motorcycle for a period longer than the period prescribed for the holding of a provisional licence for a motorcycle under the regulations made under section 81(1)(d)”.—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Frank Haynes: 219.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Tony Newton: 286.

Another Amendment (No. 25) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 26) proposed to the Bill, in page 18, line 43, to leave out the word “reasonable” and insert the word “any”, instead thereof.—(Mr. David Ennals.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed to the Bill, in page 64, line 40, to leave out from the word “breath” to the end of line 42 and insert the words “if the person is in his normal place of residence, unless the constable has reasonable cause to suspect that the person has been involved in an accident; and for the purpose of this subsection “accident” shall have the same meaning as in section 25 of the 1972 Act”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Roger Stott.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 32) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 33) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 15, to leave out from the word “hundredweight” to the end of line 41 and insert the words “shall be subject to regulations made by the Secretary of State subject to approval by a resolution of the House of Commons”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 205.

Another Amendment (No. 39) proposed to the Bill, in page 22, to leave out lines 13 to 26.—(Mr. Vivian Benda ll.)

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

And it being One o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order [9th March] and the Resolution this day, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair:—It was negatived.

Mr. Deputy Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at One o'clock.

Another Amendment (No. 36) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Road Humps)—(Mr. Secretary Fowler)—added to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 38) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Speaker Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 290.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. James Tinn: 207.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Public Accounts,—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 4th July 1979 relating to the nomination of the Committee of Public Accounts be amended, by leaving out Mr. James Lamond and inserting Mr. Barry Sheerman.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes to Two o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.36 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 14th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Electricity (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—

(1) 7th April 1981, and

(2) 7th April 1981

on loans raised by the South of Scotland Electricity Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Gaming,—Copy of the Report of the Gaming Board for Great Britain for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 262].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Education (Miscellaneous No. 8, 1981),—Copy of a Convention, signed at Paris on 21st December 1979, on the recognition of studies, diplomas and degrees concerning higher education in the states belonging to the Europe region (the Convention has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8206].

European Communities (No. 23, 1981),—Copy of a Community-COST Concertation Agreement, signed at Brussels on 27th March 1980, on a concerted action project in the field of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants (COST Project 61a bis) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8196].
Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Universal Postal Union,—Copy of Declarations, General Regulations, Final Protocol and Rules of Procedure of Congresses, signed at Rio de Janeiro on 26th October 1979 (the Additional Protocol has not been ratified and the General Regulations have not been approved by the Government of the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8181].

Universal Postal Union,—Copy of the Giro Agreement (together with Detailed Regulations), signed at Rio de Janeiro on 26th October 1979 (the Agreement has not been approved by the Government of the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8180].

Universal Postal Union,—Copy of the Postal Parcels Agreement (together with Final Protocol and Detailed Regulations), signed at Rio de Janeiro on 26th October 1979 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8182].

Universal Postal Union,—Copy of the Universal Postal Convention (together with Final Protocol and Detailed Regulations), signed at Rio de Janeiro on 26th October 1979 (the Convention has not been approved by the Government of the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8183].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Urban Development,—Copies of Orders, dated 9th April 1981, entitled—
(1) the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (British Railways Board) Order 1981,
(2) the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Local Authorities) Order 1981,
(3) the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Mersey Docks and Harbour Company) Order 1981,
(4) the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Mersey Docks and Harbour Company No. 2) Order 1981, and
(5) the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Mersey Docks and Harbour Company No. 3) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Offshore Installations,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th April 1981, entitled the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (Revocation) (No. 3) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 613) [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Agricultural Marketing,—Copy of the Report on agricultural marketing schemes for 1978-79 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 245].

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 110-vii].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment 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) [The Manpower Services Commission's Corporate Plan 1981-85: Government Observations on the First Report of the Committee].

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 296].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 51-vii].

European Legislation, &c.,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twentieth Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xx].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xx].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs 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 (Second Report) [Supplementary Report on the British North America Acts: The Role of Parliament].

Report to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 295].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 295].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report) [Finance for BL].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 294].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 294].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 221-vii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 284-ii].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 31-xxiv].
Transport.—Sir David Price reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 299].

Welsh Grand Committee.—Dr. Ifor Davies reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That they had considered the matter of the Consequences of the Budget and the Government's Economic Policies in Wales, referred to them on 17th March, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 297].

Welsh Grand Committee.—Dr. Ifor Davies reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That they had considered the matter of the Reorganisation of the National Health Service in Wales, referred to them on 7th April, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 298].

Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—Sir Albert Costain reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords], and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 1st May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 288].

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—Mr. Michael English reported from the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents, European Community Document No. R/3298/78 relating to divisions of public limited companies (scissions), together with the following Resolution:

That the Committee takes note of the draft Directive on divisions of public limited companies (scissions) (R/3298/78), and the two Explanatory Memoranda dated 7th February 1980 and 8th January 1981, respectively, and welcomes the Government's intentions to seek further discussions with the other member states and the Commission.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 292].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the New Towns (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Psychotherapy (Registration).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to create a Council for Psychotherapy, with power to maintain a register of practitioners and to enforce a code of ethics—(Mr. Graham Bright);

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. Deputy 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 proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Christopher Murphy and Mr. David Atkinson were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

Ordered, That Mr. Graham Bright, Mr. S. Clinton Davis, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. David Atkinson, Mr. Michael Colvin, Mr. Leo Abse, Mr. Richard Page, Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. David Mellor, Mr. David Madel, and Mrs. Sheila Faith, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Psychotherapy (Registration) Bill.—Mr. Graham Bright accordingly presented a Bill to create a Council for Psychotherapy, with power to maintain a register of practitioners and to enforce a code of ethics: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 12th June and to be printed [Bill 122].

Supply [17th 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 Thompson);

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 Thompson);—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

Wednesday 15th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Acquisition of Land.—Copies of Regulations, dated 6th April 1981, entitled—

(1) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 564), and

(2) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 563)

(by Act).

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Sheriff Court (Scotland).—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Museums and Galleries.—Statement of increase in the value of indemnities for loss of objects loaned to the Victoria and Albert Museum [by Command].

Museums and Galleries.—Draft of an Order, entitled the National Gallery (Lending Outside the United Kingdom) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence.—Copy of the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1981 [by Command] [Cmdn. 8212-I and II].

Defence (Royal Air Force).—Copy of Regulations, made by the Defence Council on 7th April 1981, amending the Queen’s Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Terms and Conditions of Employment.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Town and Country Planning.—Copies of—


(2) an Order, dated 7th April 1981, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Merseyside Urban Development Area) Special Development Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 560), and


(by Act).

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Agriculture.—Copy of the Report on smallholdings in Wales for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Railways Board for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:


MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 15th April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the New Towns (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairman of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords]; and Mr. R. Bonner Pink Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill.

[No. 90.]

Thursday, 16th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 28th April at Seven o'clock.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 28th April at Seven o'clock.

Humberside Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 30th April.

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 30th April.

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

Contingencies Fund, 1979-80,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House Accounts of the Contingencies Fund, 1979-80, showing the receipts and payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended 31st March 1980, and 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. Nigel Lawson.)

Public Petitions,—A Petition from members of the National Association of Widows for widows either to receive full benefit from their Class I National Insurance contributions or to be no longer required to pay these contributions 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 Cope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday 27th April, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 6th April.

[Adjourned at 3.26 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Thursday 16th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Contingencies Fund.—Copy of the Accounts of the Contingencies Fund, 1979-80, showing the receipts and payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended 31st March 1980, and 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 this day]; to be printed [No. 300].

Industry.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 27th March 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the National Enterprise Board [by Act].

Local Loans.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Local Loans (Increase of Limit) Order 1981 [by Act].

Transport.—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
(1) 27th March 1981 on loans raised by the British Transport Docks Board, and
(2) 1st April 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Waterways Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Merchant Shipping.—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th April 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Fees) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 624) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:


Mr. Neil Marten:


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

Select Committees.—Return to an Order [27th January] for a Return relating to Select Committees; to be printed [No. 217].

Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund.—Copy of the Accounts of the Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 301].

CHAIRMEN’S PANEL

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 106 (Chairmen’s Panel), Mr. Speaker nominated Mr. Barry Henderson and Dr. Edmund Marshall to be additional members of the Chairmen’s Panel during this Session.

[No. 91.]

Monday, 27th April, 1981.

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.:

British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.
Private Bills [Lords] (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, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords].

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

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

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland 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 make new provision for Scotland as to the rights of occupancy of spouses in a matrimonial home and of cohabiting couples in the house where they cohabit; to provide for the transfer of the tenancy of a matrimonial home between the spouses in certain circumstances during marriage and on granting decree of divorce or nullity of marriage, and for the transfer of the tenancy of a house occupied by a cohabiting couple between the partners in certain circumstances; to strengthen the law relating to matrimonial interdicts; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 124].

Rating Reform Bill,—Mr. Patrick Cormack 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 15th May and to be printed [Bill 123].

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—The Wildlife and Countryside 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).

Wildlife and Countryside [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Wildlife and Countryside [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to repeal and re-enact with amendments the Protection of Birds Acts 1954 to 1967 and the Conservation of Wild Creatures and Wild Plants Act 1975 and to prohibit certain methods of killing or taking wild animals thereafter referred to as "the Act"), it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—
(a) any sums required by the Secretary of State for defraying or contributing towards the expenses of an advisory body (within the meaning of Part I of the Act);  
(b) any sums so required for making grants to the Countryside Commission;
(c) any administrative expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown under the Act; and
(d) any increase attributable to the provisions of the Act in the sums which under any other enactment are paid out of money so provided;

(2) any payment into the Consolidated Fund.  —(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Health and Safety,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Diving Operations at Work Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 399), dated 12th March 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 25th March, be annulled (Mr. Barry Jones);—It was negatived.

Divisions of Public Limited Companies (Scissions).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73B (Standing Committees on European Community Documents), That this House takes note of the draft Directive on divisions of public limited companies (scissions) (R/3298/78) and the two explanatory memoranda dated 7th February 1980 and 8th January 1981, respectively, and welcomes the Government's intentions to seek further discussions with the other member states and the Commission  —(Mr. Donald Thompson) —It was agreed to.

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.58 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:

European Communities (No. 24, 1981),—Copy of Letters, exchanged at Brussels on 17th October 1980, comprising an Agreement between the European Economic Community and New Zealand on trade in mutton, lamb and goatmeat and an Understanding relevant to Clause 2 of the Agreement [Cmnd. 8207].

European Communities (No. 25, 1981),—Copy of Letters, exchanged at Brussels on 14th November 1980, comprising an Agreement between the European Economic Community and Australia on trade in mutton, lamb and goatmeat [Cmnd. 8208].

Treaty Series (No. 16, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Ankara on 5th December 1980 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, on a refinancing loan (the United Kingdom/Turkey Refinancing Loan Agreement (No. 1) 1980) [Cmnd. 8209].

Treaty Series (No. 19, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Ankara on 5th December 1980 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, on a refinancing loan (the United Kingdom/Turkey Refinancing Loan Agreement (No. 3) 1980) [Cmnd. 8210].

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:

21st April 1981

Food and Drugs,—Copies of Orders, dated 16th April 1981, entitled—

(1) the Milk (Great Britain) (No. 2) (Variation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 628), and
(2) the Milk (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) (Variation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 629)

[by Act].

Sea Fisheries,—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 9th April 1981, entitled the Fishing Nets (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 4) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 592),
(2) an Order, dated 9th April 1981, entitled the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 4) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 594), and

[by Act].

22nd April 1981

National Health Service,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th April 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 597) [by Act].

23rd April 1981


24th April 1981

Offshore Installations,—Copies of Orders, dated 22nd April 1981, entitled—

(1) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 5) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 640), and
(2) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 6) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 641)

[by Act].

Customs and Excise,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th April 1981, entitled the Agricultural Levy Reliefs (Frozen Beef and Veal) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 621) [by Act].
Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 27th April 1981:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Civil Aviation,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 7th March 1981 on—
(1) loans proposed to be raised by the British Airports Authority,
(2) loans raised by the British Airways Board, and
(3) loans raised by the British Airways Board
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Broadcasting,—Copy of a Licence and Agreement, dated 2nd April 1981, between the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the British Broadcasting Corporation [by Command] [Cmnd. 8233].
Broadcasting,—Draft of a Royal Charter for the continuance of the British Broadcasting Corporation [by Command] [Cmnd. 8232].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Copies of Orders, dated 2nd April 1981, entitled—
(1) the Lotteries (Registration Authority Fees) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 596), and
(2) the Lotteries (Variation of Monetary Limits) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 595)
[by Act].
Transport,—Copy of the Report to the Secretaries of State for Scotland and for Trade of the Transport Users Consultative Committee for Scotland for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:
Education, Science and Arts,—Copy of Government Observations on the Second and Fourth Reports from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, Session 1979-80, on information storage and retrieval in the British Library Service [by Command] [Cmnd. 8237].

Mr. Secretary Nott:
Defence (Royal Air Force),—Copy of an Order, dated 14th April 1981, amending the Queen's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Transport,—Copy of the Report to the Secretaries of State for Trade and for Transport of the Transport Users Consultative Committee for Scotland for 1980 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Petroleum and Submarine Pipe-lines,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British National Oil Corporation for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:

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 [19th March] from Ernest Watson for the amendment of the Building Regulations 1972 [by Standing Order]; to be printed.
Solicitors,—Copy of the Report of the Lay Observer for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 291].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee G.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged from Standing Committee G Mr. Donald Anderson (nominated in respect of the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Albert Booth.

[No. 92.]
Tuesday, 28th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—A Bill to regulate prescribed expenditure and expenditure on lending to other persons by the Greater London Council, including prescribed expenditure of the London Transport Executive and their wholly-owned subsidiaries which is to be treated as prescribed expenditure of the Greater London Council, during the financial period from 1st April 1981 to 30th September 1982; 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, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Eighteenth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxvii].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 302-i].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, that they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-vi].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 62-iv].

Procedure (Supply),—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-x].

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 Energy Conservation Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), business other than the business of Supply may be taken before Ten o’clock, and that the business of Supply may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Twelve o’clock.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)
Civil Service Reform,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to appoint a Committee of Inquiry on how to increase the individual and personal responsibility to the public of civil servants, other public servants and the staffs of nationalised industries, and to examine further the recommendations of the Expenditure Committee of the House of Commons in their Eleventh Report of Session 1976-77; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. John Loveridge, Sir Derek Walker-Smith, Mr. Maurice Macmillan, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Gerrard Neale, Mr. Tom Normanton, Mr. Richard Page, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr. Michael Shaw, Mr. Colin Shepherd, and Mr. John Townend, do prepare and bring it in.

Civil Service Reform Bill,—Mr. John Loveridge accordingly presented a Bill to appoint a Committee of Inquiry on how to increase the individual and personal responsibility to the public of civil servants, other public servants and the staffs of nationalised industries, and to examine further the recommendations of the Expenditure Committee of the House of Commons in their Eleventh Report of Session 1976-77; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 125].

Supply [18th 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 Thompson);

And it being Seven o'clock, and there being Private Business set down by the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 7 (Time for taking private business), further proceeding stood postponed.

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

London Transport Bill,—The London Transport Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Supply.—The House again proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Adjournment.—The House resumed the postponed proceeding on the Question, That this House do now adjourn;

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. Anthony Berry);

And it being Twelve o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker interrupted the proceedings; and the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Wednesday, 29th April, 1981:

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Anthony Berry):—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 Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.30 a.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 28th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 6th April 1981,
(2) 9th April 1981,
(3) 10th April 1981,
(4) 14th April 1981,
(5) 15th April 1981, and
(6) 16th April 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].
Sir Ian Gilmour:

Food (Miscellaneous No. 10, 1981),—Copy of the International Cocoa Agreement 1980, open for signature at New York from 5th January to 31st March 1981 (the Agreement has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8226].

Treaty Series (No. 20, 1981),—Copy of a Convention, signed at Copenhagen on 11th November 1980, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains [by Command] [Cmnd. 8211].

Treaty Series (No. 27, 1981),—Copy of an Amendment to Annex 3 to the Agreement on the international carriage of perishable foodstuffs and on the special equipment to be used for such carriage (ATP) 1970 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8220].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Education (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated 13th April 1981, entitled—

(1) the Grant-Aided Secondary Schools (Scotland) Grant Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 626), and

(2) the St. Mary’s Music School (Scotland) Grant Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 625) [by Act].

Law Commissions,—Copy of a Report of the Scottish Law Commission on section 5 of the Damages (Scotland) Act 1976 [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 272].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Cinematograph Films,—Copy of a Report of the Interim Action Committee on the Film Industry, on film and television co-operation [by Command] [Cmnd. 8227].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Highways,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th March 1981, entitled the Cardiff-Llangurig Trunk Road (Abercynon-Pentrebach Diversion) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. 3) 1981 ; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Wales under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Road Traffic (Car-sharing Arrangements) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 28th April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee D; the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11) to Standing Committee E; and the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé) Order 1981 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 93.]

Wednesday, 29th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill,—The Second 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 Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill 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.

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British Transport Docks Bill.—The Second 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; 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.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.—The Second 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 Whitehaven Harbour Bill 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; 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.

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

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-viii].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-first Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxi].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxi].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-A].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, that they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xxv].

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport 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) [Government Observations on the First Report of the Committee, Session 1980-81 (The Roads Programme)].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 307].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, that they had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them.

Memorandum to lie upon the Table.

Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 308].

Employment.—Ordered, that a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Wedderburn of Charlton to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Protection of Children in Care (Scotland).—Ordered, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the placement of siblings under the age of twelve in the care of a local authority or voluntary care agency in Scotland in more than one residential establishment or more than one set of foster parents, except in the case of illness; and to make such separation permissible after the age of twelve only with the consent of the children concerned: And that Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. Don Dixon, Dr. M. S. Miller, Mr. Dick Douglas, and Mr. Raymond Ellis, do prepare and bring it in.
Protection of Children in Care (Scotland) Bill.—Mr. Allen Adams accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit the placement of siblings under the age of twelve in the care of a local authority or voluntary care agency in Scotland in more than one residential establishment or more than one set of foster parents, except in the case of illness; and to make such separation permissible after the age of twelve only with the consent of the children concerned: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 15th May and to be printed [Bill 128].

British Nationality Bill (Allocation of Time).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed. That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining proceedings on the Bill:

Committee
1.—(1) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is allocated shall report the Bill to the House on or before 14th May 1981.

(2) Proceedings on the Bill at a sitting of the Standing Committee on the said 14th May may continue until Eleven p.m., whether or not the House is adjourned before that time, and if the House is adjourned before those proceedings have been brought to a conclusion the Standing Committee shall report the Bill to the House on the 15th May 1981.

Report and Third Reading
2.—(1) The proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading of the Bill shall be completed in three allotted days and shall be brought to a conclusion at midnight on the last of those days; and for the purposes of Standing Order No. 43 (Business Committee) this Order shall be taken to allot to the proceedings on Consideration such part of those days as the Resolution of the Business Committee may determine.

(2) The Business Committee shall report to the House their Resolutions as to the proceedings on Consideration of the Bill, and as to the allocation of time between those proceedings and proceedings on Third Reading, not later than the fourth day on which the House sits after the day on which the Chairman of the Standing Committee reports the Bill to the House.

(3) The Resolutions in any Report made under Standing Order No. 43 may be varied by a further Report so made, whether or not within the time specified in sub-paragraph (2) above, and whether or not the Resolutions have been agreed to by the House.

(4) The Resolutions of the Business Committee may include alterations in the order in which proceedings on Consideration of the Bill are taken.

Procedure in Standing Committee
3.—(1) At a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion under a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee under any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until the proceedings have been brought to a conclusion.

(2) No Motion shall be made in the Standing Committee relating to the sitting of the Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Chairman shall permit a brief explanatory statement from the Member who makes, and from a Member who opposes, the Motion, and shall then put the Question thereon.

4. No Motion shall be made to alter the order in which Clauses, Schedules, new Clauses and new Schedules are to be taken in the Standing Committee but the Resolutions of the Business Sub-Committee may include alterations in that order.

Conclusion of proceedings in Committee
5. On the conclusion of the proceedings in any Committee on the Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.

Dilatory Motions
6. No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, proceedings on the Bill shall be made in the Standing Committee or on an allotted day except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

Extra time on allotted days
7.—(1) On an allotted day paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings on the Bill for two hours after Ten o’clock.

(2) Any period during which proceedings on the Bill may be proceeded with after Ten o’clock under paragraph (7) of Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) shall be in addition to the said period of two hours.

(3) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 stands over from an earlier day, a period of time equal to the duration of the proceedings upon that Motion shall be added to the said period of two hours.
Private business

8. Any private business which has been set down for consideration at Seven o’clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill on that day, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the private business for a period of three hours from the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or, if those proceedings are concluded before Ten o’clock, for a period equal to the time elapsing between Seven o’clock and the conclusion of those proceedings.

Conclusion of proceedings

9.—(1) For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee or the Business Sub-Committee and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall forthwith put the following Questions (but no others), that is to say—

(a) any Question already proposed from the Chair;
(b) any Question necessary to bring to a decision a Question so proposed (including in the case of a new Clause or new Schedule which has been read a second time, the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill);
(c) the Question on any Amendment or Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of any Member, if that Amendment or Motion is moved by a member of the Government;
(d) any other Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded;

and on a Motion so made for a new Clause or a new Schedule, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall put only the Question that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

(2) Proceedings under sub-paragraph (1) above shall not be interrupted under any Standing Order relating to the sittings of the House.

(3) If an allotted day is one on which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) would, apart from this Order, stand over to Seven o’clock—

(a) that Motion shall stand over until the conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time;
(b) the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion after that time shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

(4) If an allotted day is one to which a Motion for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 stands over from an earlier day, the bringing to a conclusion of any proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall be postponed for a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on that Motion.

Supplemental orders

10.—(1) The proceedings on any Motion made in the House by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order (including anything which might have been the subject of a report of the Business Committee or Business Sub-Committee) shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion one hour after they have been commenced, and paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(2) If on an allotted day on which any proceedings on the Bill are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee the House is adjourned, or the sitting is suspended, before that time no notice shall be required of a Motion made at the next sitting by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order.

Saving

11. Nothing in this Order or a Resolution of the Business Committee or Business Sub-Committee shall—

(a) prevent any proceedings to which the Order or Resolution applies from being taken or completed earlier than is required by the Order or Resolution, or
(b) prevent any business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of all such proceedings on the Bill as are to be taken on that day.

Re-committal

12.—(1) References in this Order to proceedings on Consideration or proceedings on Third Reading include references to proceedings, at those stages respectively, for, or in consequence of re-committal.
(2) On an allotted day no debate shall be permitted on any Motion to re-commit the Bill (whether as a whole or otherwise), and Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith any Question necessary to dispose of the Motion, including the Question on any Amendment moved to the Question.

Interpretation

13. In this Order—
“allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as first Government Order of the Day provided that a Motion for allotting time to the proceedings on the Bill to be taken on that day either has been agreed on a previous day or is set down for consideration on that day;
“the Bill” means the British Nationality Bill;
“Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee” means a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee as agreed to by the Standing Committee;
“Resolution of the Business Committee” means a Resolution of the Business Committee as agreed to by the House—(Mr. Francis Pym);—Debate arising;
And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr Speaker proceeded to put the Question necessary to dispose of them, pursuant to Standing Order No. 44 (Allocation of time to Bills).
And the Question being accordingly put:
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 295.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 240.
So the Question was agreed to.

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) 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, at this day's sitting, the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] and the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], The Question being again proposed, That the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] be now read a second time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.
And the Question being put:
The House divided.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ron Leighton, Mr. Allen McKay: 68.
So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Special Standing Committee.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Ways and Means,—Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions),—Resolved, That any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to deep sea mining operations may provide—
(a) for the levying from holders of licences granted under that Act of sums equal either to 3.75 per cent. of the value of certain deposits recovered in pursuance of the licences or to 0.75 per cent. of the value of certain elements or compounds found in such deposits;
(b) for the payment into the Consolidated Fund, in certain circumstances, of the proceeds of the levy; and
(c) for the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any fees or other sums received by the Secretary of State in respect of or in accordance with any such licence.—(Mr. John MacGregor.)

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) [Money];
Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to deep sea mining operations, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of the administrative expenses incurred in consequence of that Act by any Government department.—(Mr. John MacGregor.)
Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

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

[Adjourned at 10.45 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 29th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Gas.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 27th March 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Gas Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Prisons.—Copy of the Report on the work of the Prison Department in 1980 [by Command] [Cmd. 8228].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Transport.—Copy of the Report to the Secretaries of State for Trade and for Transport of the Transport Users Consultative Committee for Wales for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Mr. Barney Hayhoe:
Statistical Services.—Copy of a Review of the Government's Statistical Services [by Command] [Cmd. 8236].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
National Health Service.—Copy of the Accounts of the Public Health Laboratory Service Board for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 304].

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Home Secretary on the Petition [8th April] from British Citizens resident in Venezuela for amendment of the British Nationality Bill [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Reading Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Second Reading Committee in respect of the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Robert C. Brown, Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. Nicholas Fairbairn, Dr. Keith Hampson, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Michael Latham, Mr. John Major, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Gordon Oakes, Mr. David Penhaligon, Mr. Albert Roberts, Mr. Giles Shaw, Mr. Michael Shersby, Mr. Julius Silverman, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. Don Dixon, Mr. Jack Dunnett, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Dr. Alan Glyn, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Harry Greenway, Mr. Stephen Hastings, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. Stan Newens, Mr. Robert Parry, Mr. John Sever, and Mr. Giles Shaw.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill, viz.: Mr. Robert Banks, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones, Mr. Andrew McMahon, Mr. John Major, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Timothy Raison, Mr. Roger Sims, Mr. Dudley Smith, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Leslie Spriggs, Mr. Stan Thorne, Mr. Tom Torney, Mr. Neville Trotter, Mr. James Wellbeloved, and Mr. David Winnick.

Standing Committee D.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Twenty Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Donald Anderson, Mr. Andrew F. Bennett, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Tom Dabyell, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. John Farr, Mr. Ted Graham, Dr. Keith Hampson, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Denis Howell, Mr. Marcus
Kimball, Mr. Tom King, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Mr. Hector Munro, Mr. Michael Roberts, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Colin Shepherd, and Mr. Delwyn Williams.

Standing Committee E.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Thirty-five Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules 1, 2 and 11), viz.: Mr. William Benyon, Dr. Jeremy Bray, Mr. Graham Bright, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. John Butler, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Kenneth Carlisle, Sir William Clark, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Derek Foster, Mr. George Foukes, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. Nigel Lawson, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. John Maxton, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mr. Gerrard Neade, Mr. Tony Newton, Sir Graham Page, Mr. Richard Page, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. Allan Roberts, Mr. Barry Sheerman, Mr. Robert Sheldon, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. Ian Stewart, Mr. Jack Straw, Mr. Peter Viggers, Mr. Richard Wainwright, Mr. William Waldegrave, Mr. Bowen Wells, Mr. Ken Woodmer, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Robert Banks, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. Nigel Forman, Mr. Douglas Hurd, Mr. Bryan Magee, Dr. M. S. Miller, Mr. Roland Moyle, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. William Sheldon, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, and Mr. Ray Whitney.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the New Towns (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg, Mr. Alan Fitch, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Warren Hawksley, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. Michael McGuire, Dr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. Hal Miller, Mr. Michael Morris, Mr. Anthony Nelson, Mr. Stan Newens, Mr. K. Harvey Proctor, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, and Mr. Bowen Wells.

MEMORANDUM
Wednesday 29th April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 74 (Business Sub-Committees), Mr. Speaker nominated the following members of the Business Sub-Committee to consider the Allocation of Time Order relating to the British Nationality Bill: Miss Janet Fookes (Chairman), Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Roy Hattersley, Mr. Richard Luce, Mr. John Major, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Timothy Raison, and Mr. John Tilley.

[No. 94.]

Thursday, 30th April, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Humbierside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humbierside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 7th May.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 7th May.

Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to the Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Wednesday 6th May and to be printed [Bill 126].

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 30th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-xi].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Evidence taken before them on 9th, 16th and 18th Febru-
ary, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report) [Ministry of Defence].

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 125].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 125].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report) [Overseas Development Administration].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 183].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 183].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report) [Measuring the effectiveness of Regional Industrial Policy].

Report, together with Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 206].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 206].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 226].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 226].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Iron and Steel Bill.—Mr. Michael Shaw reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Iron and Steel Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Tuesday 5th May; and to be printed [Bill 129].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 310].

Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill.—Mr. Victor Goodhew reported from Standing Committee G, That they had gone through the Ports (Financial Assistance) 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. 309].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Diseases of Animals Act 1935, the Diseases of Animals Act 1950, the Ponies Act 1969, the Rabies Act 1974, the Diseases of Animals Act 1975, and certain related enactments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Animal Health Bill [Lords]].

Employment.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Wedderburn of Charlton to attend to be examined as a witness before the Employment Committee, his Lordship in his place consenting.

Animal Health Bill [Lords].—The Animal Health Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 132].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., be discharged from considering the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé) Order 1981.

Inner London Education Authority (Expenditure Control) Bill,—Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, supported by Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. David Mellor, Mr. Nicholas Scott, Mr. William Shelton, Mr. Martin Stevens, and Mr. John Wheeler, presented a Bill to empower the Secretary of State to place a limit on the current spending of the Inner London Education Authority in any year: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 130].

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)
Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).

(In the Committee)

Ordered, That the Finance Bill be considered in the following order, namely, Clauses 4, 23, 19 and 1, Schedules 1 and 2, Clauses 27, 29 and 88, Schedule 11 and Clauses 89 and 112.—(Mr. Leon Brittan.)

Clause No. 4 (Increase of duty on hydrocarbon oil etc.).

Amendment (No. 49) proposed, in page 3, to leave out lines 1 and 2 and insert the words—

"4.—(1) In section 6(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979 for ' £0-10 ' there shall be substituted ' £0-115 ' ".—(Mr. Peter Shore.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Hamilton: 263.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 316.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 3, to leave out lines 1 and 2 and insert the words—

"4.—(1) In section 6(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979 for ' £0-10 ' there shall be substituted ' £0-1191 ' «.(Mr. T. H. H. Skeet.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris: 276.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 304.

Another Amendment (No. 48) proposed, in page 3, to leave out lines 1 and 2, and insert the words—

"4.—(1) In section 6(1) of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties Act 1979 leave out ' a duty of excise at the rate of £0-10 a litre ' and insert ' £0-1382 a litre in the case of light oil and £0-115 a litre in the case of heavy oil ' ".—(Mr. Peter Shore.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank Haynes: 264.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 318.

Amendment (No. 1) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Leon Brittan.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Donald Thompson 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.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Donald Thompson):—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 eleven minutes past Eleven o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.11 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 30th April 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

New Towns,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—

(1) 27th March 1981, and
(2) 27th March 1981

on loans raised by the Warrington and Runcorn New Town Development Corporation [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Antarctica (Miscellaneous No. 9, 1981).—Copy of a Convention, open for signature at Canberra from 1st August to 31st December 1980, on the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources, with extracts from the Final Act of the Conference held at Canberra from 7th to 20th May 1980 (the Convention has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8217].


Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Francis Pym:


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 withdrawn and Order to lie upon the Table discharged:

European Communities,—Draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981 [laid 9th April].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Stan Thorne (nominated in respect of the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robert Litherland.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 30th April 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. R. C. Mitchell Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords]; Mr. James Lamond and Mr. Michael Shaw Chairmen of Standing Committee E in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11); Mr. Ted Leadbitter Chairman of the Second Reading Committee on the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords]; and Mr. Barry Henderson Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the New Towns (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1981.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Order of the House [30th October 1980], Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Donald Kaberry Chairman of the Special Standing Committee on the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].
Friday, 1st May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from residents of Rugby and surrounding areas for the establishment of a Rugby District Area Health Authority was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 30th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 302-ii and iii].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 275].

House of Commons Disqualification (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. James Molyneaux, supported by Mr. J. Enoch Powell, the Reverend Robert Bradford, Mr. William Ross, and Mr. McCusker, presented a Bill to amend the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 to provide for the disqualification of those convicted on indictment of arrestable offences: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 8th May and to be printed [Bill 131].

Indecent Displays (Control) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 17, to leave out from the word "display" to end of line 20.—(Sir Bernard Braine.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 18, to leave out from the second word "shop" to the end of line 20.—(Mr. S. C. Silkin.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Amendments (Nos. 2, 4 to 6, 12, 13 and 8) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Industrial Diseases (Notification) 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.

Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Disused Burial Grounds (Amendment) 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.

Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 7 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carol Mather 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.

Domestic Rating (Abolition) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Domestic Rating (Abolition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 12th June.

Freedom of Association Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Freedom of Association Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 12th June.

Bill of Rights Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill of Rights Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 8th May.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 8th May.

Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 15th May.

Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 15th May.

Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill,—Ordered, That Standing Committee C be discharged from considering the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill and that the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Sir Bernard Braine.)

Committee upon Friday 8th May.

Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That, in respect of the Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Carol Mather.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes past Three o’clock, adjourned till Tuesday 5th May, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 6th April.

[Adjourned at 3.3 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 1st May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 27th March 1981 on temporary loans raised by the Secretary of State for Trade for the purposes of the Civil Aviation Fund [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

National Health Service,—Draft of an Order, entitled the General Practice Finance Corporation (Increase of Borrowing Powers) Order 1981 [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Civil Aviation,—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 23rd April 1981, entitled the Civil Aviation (Designation of Aerodromes) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 651),
(2) a Scheme, dated 23rd April 1981, entitled the Gatwick Airport—London Noise Insulation Grants (Variation) Scheme 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 653), and

[by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) coal mining,
(2) construction and earth-moving equipment,
(3) electricity,
(4) formulated pesticides, etc.,
(5) locomotives, railway track equipment, railway carriages, wagons and trams,
(6) lubricating oils and greases,
(7) mining machinery,
(8) miscellaneous mining and quarrying, and
(9) narrow fabrics

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


[No. 96.]

Tuesday, 5th May, 1981.

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 Robert Sands, Esquire, Member for Fermanagh and South Tyrone.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—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.

British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords],—The British Railways (Victoria) 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 ; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix I).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 5th May and Memoranda laid before them : And the Report was brought up and read (Nineteenth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 18-xxix].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 18-xxx].

Armed Forces Bill,—Mr. Cyril D. Townsend reported from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces 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 Evidence taken before them, together with Appendices : And the Report was brought up and read.

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Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 253].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 253].

Armed Forces Bill.—Mr. Cyril D. Townsend reported from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces 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 135].

Committee to-morrow.

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 5th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 117-iv].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 5th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 243-iii].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 5th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-xi].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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. 19-xvi].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the law relating to companies and business names; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords]].

Science and Technology,—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to give leave to Giles Shaw, Esquire, a Member of their House, to attend to be examined as a witness before Sub-Committee II (Hazardous Waste) of the Select Committee appointed by the Lords on Science and Technology.

Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords],—The Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 134].

Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords],—The Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 15th May and to be printed [Bill 136].

London Government Reform (Abolition of the Corporation of the City of London),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform London government by abolishing the Corporation of the City of London as a local government unit and to provide for its resources and functions to be transferred to one or more adjacent boroughs; and for related purposes—(Mr. Alfred Dubs);

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. Reg Race, Mr. Clive Soley: 155.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. John Heddle: 236.

So the Question was negatived.

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).
Clause No. 23 (Personal relief).

Amendment (No. 16) proposed, in page 13, line 8, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Ronald Leighton: 253.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Donald Thompson: 297.

Another Amendment (No. 17) proposed, in page 13, line 9, after "1981-82", to insert the words "except for age allowance".—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 251.


Another Amendment (No. 56) proposed, in page 13, line 9, at the end, to insert the words "except for women aged 60-64 years the personal relief shall be £1,425".—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. James Tinn: 253.


Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 19 (Charge of income tax for 1981-82).

Amendment (No. 14) proposed, in page 12, line 6, at the end, to insert the words "(a) in respect of so much of an individual's total income as does not exceed £900 at the rate of 25 per cent.".—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank R. White: 247.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Donald Thompson: 293.

Another Amendment (No. 51) proposed, in page 12, line 22, to leave out the words "not apply for the year 1981-82" and add the words "apply for the year 1981-82 only as regards the basic rate limit.".—(Mr. Richard Wainwright.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Leon Brittan.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Alastair Goodlad 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.

Education (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Education (Allowances for Assisted Places in Secondary Schools) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 488), dated 26th March 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th March, be annulled.—(Mr. Harry Ewing);

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4 (Prayers against Statutory Instruments, &c. (negative procedure)).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. James Tinn: 225.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 281.

So the Question was negatived.
Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee.—(Mr. Anthony Berry.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday 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 fourteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.14 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 5th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) chalk, clay, sand and gravel extraction,
(2) explosives and fireworks,
(3) miscellaneous textile industries, and
(4) printing ink
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Transport.—Statements of determination of—
(1) the death benefit scheme applicable to a member of the British Railways Board, and
(2) the salaries of members and a former member of the National Bus Company
[by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:


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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petition [16th April] from members of the National Association of Widows for widows either to receive full benefit from their Class I National Insurance contributions or to be no longer required to pay these contributions [by Standing Order]; to be printed.


Paper withdrawn and Order to lie upon the Table discharged:

Sheriff Court (Scotland).—Draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981 [laid 15th April].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Reading Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Second Reading Committee in respect of the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] Mr. John Major; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Christopher Murphy.
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 5th May 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection Scotland) Bill [Lords] relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 97.]

Wednesday, 6th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) 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).

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture 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) [Further Government Observations on First Report, Session 1979-80].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 317].

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-xii].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-viii].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-ii].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 166-v].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 318-i].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-vii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31-xxvii].

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-vii].
Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-xv].

Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords].—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from the Second Reading Committee on the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) 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 Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] ought to be read a second time.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Barry Henderson reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the New Towns (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 15th April.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 320].

House of Commons Disqualification (Amendment) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 8th May, the House of Commons Disqualification (Amendment) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill.—The Order for resuming, upon Friday 8th May, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 6th February, That the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time, was read and discharged.

Local Authority (Empty Properties).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give local authorities and certain other public bodies a duty to maximise the use of empty residential property in their ownership and to prohibit the demolition of buildings before public inquiries: And that Mr. Allan Roberts, Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk, Mr. Jack Straw, Mr. Ken Woolmer, and Mr. Frank Dobson, do prepare and bring it in.

Local Authority (Empty Properties) Bill.—Mr. Allan Roberts accordingly presented a Bill to give local authorities and certain other public bodies a duty to maximise the use of empty residential property in their ownership and to prohibit the demolition of buildings before public inquiries; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June and to be printed [Bill 137].

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Spirits, beer, wine, made-wine and cider).

Amendment (No. 53) proposed, in page 1, line 21, to leave out ‘“ £18.00” and “ £0.60” ’ and insert ‘“ £15.00” and “ £0.50” ’.—(Mr. Jack Straw.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 234.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Peter Brooke: 285.

Clause agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Peter Rees.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton 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.

Supreme Court Bill [Lords].—The Supreme Court 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).
Supreme Court [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Supreme Court [Money]:

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to consolidate with amendments the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act 1925 and other enactments relating to the Supreme Court in England and Wales and the administration of justice therein, and to amend Part VIII of the Mental Health Act 1959 and the law relating to county courts, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund or out of money provided by Parliament of such salaries, remuneration and allowances as the Lord Chancellor may with the concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service determine, being salaries, remuneration and allowances so payable under or in consequence of provisions of the said Act of the present Session;

(b) any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable under any other Act out of that Fund or out of money so provided; and

(c) the payment of any sums into the Consolidated Fund.—(Sir Ian Percival.)

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords] and the Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 37 agreed to.
Schedule No. 1 agreed to.
Schedule No. 2 (Transitory Provisions).
Amendments (Nos. 1 to 3) made.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Schedule No. 3 (Consequential Amendments).
Amendment (No. 4) made.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Schedule No. 4 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Alastair Goodlad 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.

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. Alastair Goodlad.)

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.
Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Alastair Goodlad 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. Alastair Goodlad.)

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

[Adjourned at 11.2 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 6th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:
Value Added Tax.—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th April 1981, entitled the Value Added Tax (General) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 663) [by Act].

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Development of Rural Wales.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 27th March 1981 on loans raised by the Development Board for Rural Wales [by Act].

Water.—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
(1) 27th March 1981 on loans raised by the North-West Water Authority,
(2) 31st March 1981 on loans raised by the Anglian Water Authority,
(3) 31st March 1981 on loans raised by the National Water Council, and
(4) 31st March 1981 on loans raised by the Yorkshire Water Authority [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Housing (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th April 1981, entitled the Housing (Improvement and Repair Grants) (Approved Expenses Maxima) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 638) [by Act].

Sheriff Court (Scotland).—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Employment Protection.—Copies of the Reports of—
(1) the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, and
(2) the Central Arbitration Committee for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Public Health.—Copies of Orders, dated 27th April 1981, entitled—
(1) the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Camden) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 665), and
(2) the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Islington) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 666) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

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

National Health Service.—Copy of summarised Accounts of Health Authorities, special authorities in England and Wales and Boards of Governors, summaries of trust funds held by Health Authorities, Boards of Governors and special trustees, and the Account of the Dental Estimates Board, for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 312].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Scottish Grand Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Thirteen Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Robert Atkins, Sir Ronald Bell, Mr. Vivian Bennett, Mr. Anthony Fell, Mr. Peter Fry, Mr. Eldon Griffiths, Mr. Peter Griffiths, Mr. Robert Hicks, Mr. Charles Irving, Mr. David Knox, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. Tim Renton, and Mr. Peter Rost.

Special Standing Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on a Special Standing Committee in respect of the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. J. M. Craigen, Dr. John Cunningham, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Dick Douglas, Mr. Nigel Forman, Mr. John Forrester, Mr. John Lee, Mr. John MacGregor, Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. David Mudd, Mr. T. H. H. Skeet, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. Edwin Wainwright, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bowden, Mr. R. B. Cant, Mr. Michael Colvin, Viscount Cranborne, Mr. Stan Crowther, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. George Gardiner, Mr. John Grant, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. Richard Needham, Mr. Ernie Roberts, Mr. Fred Silvester, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. David Waddington, and Mr. James White.

MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

Thursday, 7th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 14th May.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday 11th May.

Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) Order Confirmation Bill.—The Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) 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).

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 321].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Barnsley Borough Council Bill, with an Amendment: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Science and Technology.—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message of 5th May as requests the attendance of Giles Shaw, Esquire, a Member of this House, before Subcommittee II (Hazardous Waste) of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on Science and Technology be now considered.

So much of the Lords Message considered accordingly.

Resolved, That Giles Shaw, Esquire, a Member of this House, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

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

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

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister for the Adjournment of the House may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Twelve o’clock.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom resident in the Republic of Sierra Leone for the amendment of the British Nationality Bill to provide that children of British parents born abroad are able to pass on their nationality 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. Alastair Goodlad):—Debate arising;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 8th May, 1981:

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 fourteen minutes past Twelve o’clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.14 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 7th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Welsh Development Agency,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—

(1) 27th March 1981, and
(2) 7th April 1981

on loans raised by the Welsh Development Agency [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 26, 1981).—Copy of an Interim Agreement, signed at Luxembourg on 4th November 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Zimbabwe, with Final Act [by Command] [Cmnd. 8218].

Mr. Secretary Younger:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Fair Employment (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Report of the Fair Employment Agency for Northern Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 290].
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Mr. Francis Pym:


Mr. Peter Walker:

Tractors.—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th April 1981, entitled the Agricultural or Forestry Tractors and Tractor Components (Type Approval) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 669) [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 7th May 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Donald Kaberry Chairman of the Special Standing Committee on the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords]; Mr. Barry Hender-son Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords]; and Dr. Edmund Marshall Chairman of the First Stand-ing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981.

Friday, 8th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Horserace Betting Levy Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Horserace Betting Levy Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (The Alcohol Education and Research Fund).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 5, to leave out lines 30 to 41 and insert the words—

“(b) the further education of health and social services professionals and of other groups involved in the prevention and treatment of alcohol problems;
(c) the care and rehabilitation of persons convicted of offences involving drunkenness;
(d) the provision of treatment and other help for persons dependent on alcohol or given to excessive consumption of alcohol;
(e) research into matters relevant to any of the purposes mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (d) and the publication of the results of such research.

(3) In determining how the Fund is to be applied for the purposes mentioned in subsection (2), the Council shall give priority to paragraphs (a) and (b) and shall support schemes for achieving the purposes described in paragraphs (c) and (d) only when these schemes are of an innovative nature.”.—(Mr. Clive Soley.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 8 and 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Accounts and audit).

Amendment (No. 2) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 11 to 13 agreed to.

Schedule No. 1 (The Alcohol Education and Research Council).
Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 10, line 8, at the end, to insert the words—

"Qualification of members

3. No more than one in five of the members of the Council at any one time shall have direct or indirect interest in the brewing industry".—(Mr. Clive Soley.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedule No. 2 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Robert Boscawen reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Bill of Rights Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bill of Rights 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 half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 15th May.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 15th May.

Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill.—Ordered, That Standing Committee C be discharged from considering the Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill and that the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Tony Speller.)

Committee upon Friday 15th May.

Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill.—Ordered, That Standing Committee C be discharged from considering the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill and that the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Tony Speller.)

Committee upon Friday 15th May.

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

And the Question having been proposed after half-past Two 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 one minute past Three o'clock, till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 8th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Security Commission.—Copy of the Report of the Security Commission on the possible loss of an indeterminate number of magnetic tapes containing highly classified information from the Ministry of Defence [by Command] [Cmnd. 8235].

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 22nd April 1981, and
(2) 24th April 1981 relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Housing.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 31st March 1981 on loans raised by the Housing Corporation [by Act].

New Towns.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 31st March 1981 on loans raised by the Peterborough Development Corporation [by Act].
Transport,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 31st March 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the Scottish Transport Group [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Museums and Galleries,—Copy of a Statement of increase in the value of indemnities for loss of objects loaned to the Royal Scottish Museum [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Mr. Secretary Howell:


Mr. Attorney General:

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords],—Report of the Attorney General on the United Reformed Church Bill [Lords] [pursuant to Standing Order 158 (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations)].

[No. 100.]

Monday, 11th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill,—The British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

British Transport Docks Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the British Transport Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of Kent Bill [Lords];

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

Private Bill Petitions (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, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz:

South Yorkshire Bill.

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 110-ix].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 11th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 259-ii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 318-ii].

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

House of Lords Offices,—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to give leave to Geoffrey Finsberg, Esquire, a Member of their House, to attend to be examined as a witness before the Sub-Committee on Administration of the Select Committee appointed by the Lords on House of Lords Offices.
Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords].—The Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 15th May and to be printed [Bill 138].

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 27 (Social security benefits).
Amendment (No. 19) proposed, in page 15, line 12, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank Haynes : 210.

Another Amendment (No. 20) proposed, in page 15, line 17, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Allen McKay : 212.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Alastair Goodlad : 275.
Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 29 (Pay as you earn repayments).
Amendment (No. 25) proposed, in page 18, line 35, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Allen McKay : 223.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 277.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed, in page 18, line 40, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank Haynes : 216.
Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Peter Brooke : 275.

Another Amendment (No. 32) proposed, in page 19, line 5, after the word “ regulations ”, to insert the words “ which, without prejudice to the generality of section 204 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970, shall be subject to an affirmative resolution of the House of Commons ”.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)
Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.
Clause agreed to.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Leon Brittan.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Donald Thompson 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.

Local Loans.—Resolved, That the draft Local Loans (Increase of Limit) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 16th April, be approved.—(Mr. Nigel Lawson.)

Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) 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 and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).
Town and Country Planning (Minerals) [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Town and Country Planning (Minerals) [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make amendments relating to the winning and working of minerals in the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 and amendments relating to rights for the purpose of the conveyance of minerals in section 2 of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act 1966, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums so payable under any other Act.—(Mr. Nigel Lawson);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 12th May, 1981:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make amendments relating to the winning and working of minerals in the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 and amendments relating to rights for the purpose of the conveyance of minerals in section 2 of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act 1966, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums so payable under any other Act.

New Towns.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the New Towns (Limit on Borrowing) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 8th April, be approved.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes to One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.32 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 11th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Civil Aviation,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
(1) 13th April 1981, and
(2) 28th April 1981
on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Iron and Steel,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 10th April 1981 on loans raised by the British Steel Corporation [by Act].

National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 30th April 1981 on stock issued by the General Practice Finance Corporation [by Act].

New Towns (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 29th April 1981 on loans raised by—
(1) the Cumbernauld Development Corporation,
(2) the East Kilbride Development Corporation,
(3) the Glenrothes Development Corporation,
(4) the Irvine Development Corporation, and
(5) the Livingston Development Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th April 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 675) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Patents,—Copy of the Report of the Comptroller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 303].

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Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Peter Walker:


[No. 10.]

Tuesday, 12th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Barnsley Borough Council Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendment to the Barnsley Borough Council Bill; and the same was agreed to.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Whitehaven Harbour 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 upon Thursday.

County of Kent Bill [Lords],—The County of Kent Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

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

Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr. Michael Meacher reported from the Committee on the Lloyd's Bill, That, for the convenience of Members, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday at Ten o'clock.

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 12th May and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Twentieth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxi].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxii].

Defence,—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence 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 (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 302].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 302].

Procedure (Supply),—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 12th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118-xii].

Social Services,—Mrs. Renee Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 12th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 324-ii].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Sixteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xvii].
Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—Mr. Barry Henderson reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That they had considered the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (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 upon Monday 18th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 323].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

House of Lords (Elections).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the election by proportional representation of certain members of the House of Lords; to provide that only the members so elected shall be qualified to vote on legislation; to make provision for the elections to take place at intervals of five years; to make other provisions for the elections; and for connected purposes—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams);

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. Tim Renton, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams: 61.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. K. Harvey Proctor, Mr. Robert Dunn: 137.

So the Question was negatived.

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 88 (Reduction of lifetime rates).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 189.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 134.

Schedule No. 11 (Lifetime rates of capital transfer tax).

Question put, That this Schedule be the Eleventh Schedule to the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Donald Thompson: 180.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 125.

Clause No. 89 (Ten-year cumulation period).

Amendment (No. 55) proposed, in page 76, line 26, to leave out subsection (1) and insert the words—

"(1) Section 37(1) of the Finance Act 1975 (rate of tax charged on chargeable transfers) shall be amended as follows:

(a) after the words 'chargeable transfer made by any transferor' there shall be inserted the words 'to any transferee';

(b) after the words 'that transferor' in subsection (1)(a) there shall be inserted the words 'to that transferee';

(c) after the words 'that transferor' wherever the same appear in subsection (1)(b) there shall be inserted the words 'to that transferee'.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1) above there shall be aggregated (as if made to one transferee) the values transferred by chargeable transfers made by a transferor whereby property becomes held upon trusts under which no interest in possession subsists immediately after the transfer has been made".—(Mr. Richard Wainwright.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

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Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Allen McKay*, Mr. *Joe Dean*: 110.

Clause No. 122 (Special tax on banking deposits).

Amendment (No. 43) proposed, in page 103, line 7, to leave out the word “ base ”.—(Mr. *John Browne*.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 60) proposed, in page 103, line 7, to leave out “ £10 ”, and insert “ £150 ”.—(Mr. *Ian Wrigglesworth*.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. *John Roper*, Mr. *Ian Wrigglesworth*: 13.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Robert Boscawen*, Mr. *Alastair Goodlad*: 111.

Clause agreed to.

Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11), as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Carol Mather* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11), and directed him to report the same, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill (Clauses Nos. 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules Nos. 1, 2 and 11), as amended, do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. *Carol Mather*.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes to Two o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.56 a.m.]

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**APPENDIX**

*Tuesday 12th May 1981*

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. *Nigel Lawson*:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 23rd April 1981,
(2) 27th April 1981,
(3) 28th April 1981,
(4) 29th April 1981,
(5) 30th April 1981, and
(6) 1st May 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Electricity,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 14th April 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

Transport,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 10th April 1981 on loans raised by the National Bus Company [by Act].

Sir *Ian Gilmour*:

European Communities (No. 28, 1981),—Copy of an additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 28th November 1980, to the 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, consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community, with Exchange of Letters [by Command] [Cmnd. 8224].
Tanzania (No. 1, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Dar-es-Salaam on 1st July 1980, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania for air services between and beyond their respective territories [by Command] [Cmnd. 8229].

Treaty Series (No. 21, 1981).—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Washington on 4th December 1980 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America, further amending the Agreement on air services, signed at Bermuda on 23rd July 1977, as amended on 25th April 1978 and 27th December 1979 (with Exchange of Letters) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8222].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Export of Works of Art.—Copy of the Report of the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art for the year ended 30th June 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8242].

Museums and Galleries.—Statement of increase in the value of indemnities for the loss of objects loaned to the British Museum [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Terms and Conditions of Employment.—Drafts of Orders, entitled—

(1) the Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981, and

(2) the Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Francis Pym:

General Medical Council,—Copy of the Accounts of the General Medical Council for 1980 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 12th May 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Supreme Court Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B; the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee G; the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 102.]

Wednesday, 13th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords].—The Second 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 Railways (Victoria) 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.
London Transport Bill.—The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from 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; 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.

Sion College Bill [Lords].—The Second 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 Sion College Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.
Report to be printed.

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence 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 (Third Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 218].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-ix].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-second Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxii].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 41-vi].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 221-vii].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 328-i].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport.—Mr. Neil Carmichael reported from the Transport 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 (Third Report) [Advanced Ground Transport].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 330].

Transport.—Mr. Neil Carmichael reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-viii].
Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 3254].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 326].

Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill,—Mr. R. Bonner Pink reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 12th June ; and to be printed [Bill 140].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 327].

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Dr. Edmund Marshall reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 30th April.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 329].

Pet Animals Act 1951 (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Pet Animals Act 1951 (Amendment Bill [Lords] was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 15th May and to be printed [Bill 141].

Minimum Housing Standards,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Act 1936 in relation to minimum housing standards : And that Mr. David Alton, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. A. J. Belth, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. Geraint Howells, Mr. Russell Johnston, and Mr. David Penhaligon, do prepare and bring it in.

Minimum Housing Standards Bill,—Mr. David Alton accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Act 1936 in relation to minimum housing standards: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June and to be printed [Bill 139].

Social Security Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Social Security Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Reciprocity with other countries)—(Mrs. Lynda Chalker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Take-up benefits)—(Mr. Norman Buchan)—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. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean : 222.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 276.

Another Clause (Benefits for the long-term unemployed)—(Mr. Norman Buchan)—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. James Hamilton, Mr. George Morton : 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke : 277.

Another Clause (Take-up of benefits (No. 2)—(Mr. J. W. Rooker)—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. Donald Coleman, Mr. George Morton : 220.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 266.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Social Security Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Social Security Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Social Security Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
Another Clause (Part-time working)—(Mr. Norman Buchan)—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.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr. John Selwyn
Gummer.)

Bill to be further considered to-morrow.

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. John Selwyn Gum-
mer.)

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

[Adjourned at 10.57 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 13th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Immigration,—Copy of Statistics on the control of immigration in 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8199].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Countryside (Scotland),—Copy of the Report of the Countryside Commission for
Scotland for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Health and Safety,—Copies of Regulations, dated 1st May 1981, entitled—
686), and
(2) the Gasholders and Steam Boilers Regulations (Metrication) Regulations 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 687)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Monopolies and Mergers,—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Com-
mission on discounts to retailers [by Act]; to be printed [No. 311].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Legal Aid and Advice (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Report of the Legal Aid
Advisory Committee on the Report of the Incorporated Law Society of Northern Ireland
on the operation and finance of the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965
in the year ended 31st March 1979 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 273].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated 5th May 1981, entitled—
(1) the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations
1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 697), and
(2) the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Great Britain) (Amendment) Regulations
[by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Select-
ion, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee B
in respect of the Supreme Court Bill [Lords], viz. : Mr. Donald Anderson, Mr. Peter
Archer, Sir Walter Clegg, Mr. Frank Dobson, Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann, Mr. Ben Ford,
Mr. Edward Gardner, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. David Hunt, Mr.
Nicholas Lyell, Mr. David Mellor, Mr. Geoffrey Robinson, Mr. Neville Sandelson, Mr.
Roger Sims, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. David Young.
Stating Committee G,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee G in respect of the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. Robert C. Brown, Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. Robert Dunn, Dr. Keith Hampson, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Michael Latham, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Christopher Murphy, Mr. Gordon Oakes, Mr. David Penhalligan, Mr. Albert Roberts, Mr. Giles Shaw, Mr. Julius Silverman, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Robert Banks, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. Nigel Forman, Mr. Robert Litherland, Mr. Richard Luce, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. William Shelton, Mr. Nigel Spearling, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, and Mr. Ray Whitney.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Neil Carmichael, Mr. Donald Dewer, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Michael Martin, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Malcolm Rijkkind, Mr. Bill Walker, and Mr. James White.

[No. 103.]
Thursday, 14th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Transport Docks Bill,—The British Transport Docks Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Humberside Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday 21st May.

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 Thursday 21st May.

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

Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr. Michael Meacher reported from the Committee on the Lloyd’s Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday 19th May at half-past Ten o’clock.

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 14th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-xiii].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 321-i].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

British Nationality Bill,—Miss Janet Fookes reported from Standing Committee F, That they had gone through the British Nationality Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 127].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 331].

House of Commons (Services),—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 13th May to be printed [No. 46-iv].
Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 12th June, the Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June.

Social Security Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Social Security Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 1, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Norman Buchan.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Hamilton : 213.

Another Amendment (No. 13) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 32, to leave out from the word "there" to the end of line 37, and insert the words "the fraction of tenths", instead thereof.—(Mr. Norman Buchan.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 14 to 17) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 37) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 2, at the end, to insert the words—

"(3) The Secretary of State shall make regulations which shall make provision whereby any person charged with an offence under any enactment amended by subsection (1) above and Schedule 1 to this Act shall be furnished with a form requesting details of his income and financial commitments.

(4) The power to make regulations under subsection (3) above shall be exercisable by statutory instrument, and regulations so made shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

(5) Before imposing a fine under any enactment amended by subsection (1) above and Schedule 1 to this Act, a court shall, when considering the offender's means, have regard to any completed form furnished to the court by the offender under regulations made under subsection (3) above."—(Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 18 to 20) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Donald Thompson : 277.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Joe Dean : 212.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Iron and Steel Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Iron and Steel Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (The organisation of the Corporation's activities)—(Mr. Norman Tebbit)—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 Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. George Morton : 194.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Iron and Steel Bill and the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Iron and Steel Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Iron and Steel Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Clause (The organisation of the Corporation's activities) added to the Bill.
An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 6, to leave out Clause 1.—(Dr. John Cunningham.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Allen McKay: 198.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Carol Mather: 250.

Amendments (Nos. 2 to 5) made to the Bill.

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

Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 13, at the end, to insert the words—

"Before giving financial assistance for any measure to reduce the number of persons employed in a port specified in this subsection in a way which would involve the National Dock Labour Board in additional expenditure, the Secretary of State shall consult the Board".—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 16, after the words "Secretary of State", to insert the words "shall require the Port of London Authority or Mersey Docks and Harbour Company to comply with the requirements in subsection (8) below and he".—(Mr. Nigel Spearing.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

A Motion was 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 Friday morning;

Friday, 15th May, 1981:

And the Question being put:—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.

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom resident in Belgium for the amendment of the British Nationality Bill to provide that children of British parents born abroad are able to pass on their nationality was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

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

[Adjourned at 12.31 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 14th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Crown’s Nominee Account,—Abstract Account of the receipts and payments by the Treasury Solicitor in the administration of estates on behalf of the Crown in 1980 [by Act].

Government Annuities and Insurance,—Account of all moneys received on account of contracts for the grant of deferred life annuities and for payments on death, under the provisions of the Government Annuities Act 1929, and the disposal thereof, and of the contracts made, for 1980 [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 22, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at London on 16th November 1979, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Finland amending the Convention for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital, signed at London on 17th July 1969, as modified by the Protocol signed at London on 17th May 1973 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8225].
Treaty Series (No. 23, 1981).—Copy of Notes, exchanged between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, on a refinancing loan (the United Kingdom/Turkey Refinancing Loan Agreement (No. 2) 1980) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8213].

Treaty Series (No. 24, 1981).—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Tegucigalpa on 11th September and 24th December 1980, on an interest free loan by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to the Government of the Republic of Honduras (the United Kingdom/Honduras Loan 1980) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8230].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Scottish Transport Group for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—

(1) aerospace equipment, manufacturing and repairing,
(2) cans and metal boxes,
(3) coke ovens and manufactured fuels,
(4) formulated adhesives, gelatine, etc.,
(5) hand tools and implements,
(6) inorganic chemicals,
(7) miscellaneous chemicals,
(8) motor cycle, tricycle and pedal cycle manufacturing,
(9) petroleum and natural gas,
(10) polishes,
(11) spinning and doubling on the cotton and flax systems
(12) surgical bandages, etc.,
(13) toilet preparations,
(14) trailers, caravans and freight containers,
(15) watches and clocks, and
(16) woollen and worsted
[by Act].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
Standing Committee G.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharched from Standing Committee G Mr. Robert Dunn, Dr. Keith Hampson and Mr. Alec Woodall (nominated in respect of the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Nicholas Fairbairn, Mr. Anthony Nelson, and Mr. Tom Torney.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharched from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Nicholas Fairbairn (nominated in respect of the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Iain Sproat.

MEMORANDUM
Thursday 14th May 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. David Watkins Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Supreme Court Bill [Lords] ; Mr. Victor Goodhew Chairman of Standing Committee G in respect of the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords] ; Miss Betty Boothroyd Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981 ; Mr. Barry Henderson Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981 ; and Mr. John Hunt an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].
Friday, 15th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Standing Orders,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee several Resolutions, as follows:

1. That, in the case of the United Reformed Church Bill [Lords], 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 Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords], 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, provided that notice has been given to local fishermen, not later than the date of Third Reading in the House of Lords, of the proposed scale of charges to them for moorings and for the use of facilities; that a system of arbitration for settling disputes has been established; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

3. That, in the case of the South Yorkshire Bill, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The Resolutions were agreed to.

House of Lords Offices,—Ordered, That the Lords Message of 11th May requesting the attendance of Geoffrey Finsberg, Esquire, a Member of this House, before the Sub-Committee on Administration of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on House of Lords Offices be now considered.

Lords Message considered accordingly.

Resolved, That Geoffrey Finsberg, Esquire, a Member of this House, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

Countryside (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Countryside (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967)—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Consultation)—Mr. Donald Dewar—brought up and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Planning permissions)—(Mr. Donald Dewar)—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.

An Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 12, after the word "of", to insert the words "power driven heavier than air".—(Mr. Bill Walker)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 4, 5, 8, and 10 to 14) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, to leave out lines 9 to 12 and insert the words—

"5. After section 48 of the Act of 1967 there shall be inserted the following section—

'48A. A regional park is a park, set in the countryside, extensive in size in which the dominant land use in selected parts is public recreation and which is so located as to be accessible to a substantial number of the public', instead thereof.—(Mr. Peter Fraser.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 16) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 20) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 13, after the word "councils", to insert the words "in consultation with the District Council or District Councils within whose boundaries the designated land lies".—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 25 to 32) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 33) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 22, to leave out the word "or" and insert the words "after consultation with", instead thereof.—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 34, 36, 38, 39 and 41 to 46) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 disagreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Short Title).

Amendment (No. 3) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

A Clause (Experimental re-opening of lines for railway passenger services)—(Mr. Kenneth Clarke)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendments ((a) and (b)) made.

Clause, as amended, added.

Title amended (No. 4).

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Tony Speller reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to make provision with respect to experimental railway passenger services.

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.

Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Schedule (Amendments relating to enforcement of control).

Amendments (Nos. 2 and 3) made.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 9, line 7, at the end, to insert the words—

"(aa) in subsection (4) for the word 'three' there shall be substituted the words 'the day following' ; and "—Mr. John Heddle.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 5, 6 and 7) made.

Another Amendment (No. 8) proposed, in page 15, line 5, at the end, to insert the words—

"10A. For section 101 of that Act (which gives a local authority power to execute urgent works for the preservation of unoccupied listed buildings) there shall be substituted the following section:—

101.—(1) This section applies to any building which satisfies one of the conditions specified in subsection (2) below but is not an excepted building as defined in section 58(2) of this Act.

*Urgent works for preservation of listed and other buildings.
(2) The conditions mentioned in subsection (1) above are—

(a) that the building is a listed building;

(b) that a direction that this section shall apply to the building has been given under subsection (3) below.

(3) If it appears to the Secretary of State, in the case of a building which is not a listed building but is situated in a conservation area, that it is important to preserve it for the purpose of maintaining the character or appearance of the conservation area, he may direct that this section shall apply to it.

(4) If it appears to a local authority that any works are urgently necessary for the preservation of a building to which this section applies and which is situated in their area, they may execute the works, after giving the owner (and occupier, if any) of the building not less than fourteen days' notice in writing of their intention to do so in the case of a building which is in residential occupation immediately before the service of the notice, or not less than seven days' notice in the case of any other building.

(5) If it appears to the Secretary of State that any works are urgently necessary for the preservation of a building to which this section applies, he may execute the works, after giving the owner (and occupier, if any) of the building not less than fourteen days' notice in writing of his intention to do so in the case of a building which is in residential occupation immediately before the service of the notice, or not less than seven days' notice in the case of any other building.

(6) Before a local authority may execute any work under the terms of subsection (4) above, they shall, if it is reasonably practicable to do so in all the circumstances of the case including the urgency of the case, consider—

(a) any alternative uses to which the building could be put;

(b) the financial circumstances of the owner of the building; and

(c) the prospects of its disposal for a reasonable consideration if placed on the open market.

(7) The local authority or, as the case may be, the Secretary of State may give notice to the owner of the building requiring him to pay the expenses of any works executed under subsection (4) or (5) above; and if such a notice is given by the local authority or the Secretary of State, the amount specified in the notice shall be recoverable from the owner, subject to subsections (8) to (10) below.

(8) Within 28 days of the date of a notice under subsection (7) above, the owner may represent to the Secretary of State—

(a) that the amount specified in the notice is unreasonable;

(b) that recovery of it would cause him undue hardship; or

(c) that some or all of the works were unnecessary for the preservation of the building.

(9) The Secretary of State shall determine the extent, if any, to which representations under subsection (8) above are justified.

(10) The Secretary of State shall give the owner and the local authority notice of any determination under subsection (9) above and of the reasons for it, and of the amount (if any) which is to be recoverable from the owner, and no sum shall be recoverable from him unless it is so notified.

(11) Any sum recoverable under the provisions of subsections (7) to (10) above shall be a charge on the building until recovered and the provisions of section 291 of the Public Health Act 1936 shall apply to the recovery thereof as if it had been incurred under that Act.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 9 and 10) made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.
British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) 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 half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 19th June.

Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 5th June.

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 22nd May.

Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Interpretation of Legislation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 5th June.

Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords],—The Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Friday 12th June.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 22nd May.

Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords],—The Forgery and Counterfeiting 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).

Pet Animals Act 1951 (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pet Animals Act 1951 (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 12th June.

Members' Salaries,—Ordered, That Mr. Joe Ashton, Mr. Hugh D. Brown, Sir Walter Clegg, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Paul Dean, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. James Lamond, Mr. Michael Shaw, Mr. Mike Thomas, Mr. Peter Thomas, Mr. Stan Thorne, Mr. van Straubenzee, and Mr. Mark Wolfson, be members of the Select Committee on Members' Salaries.

Ordered, That five be the quorum of the Committee.

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

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with technical knowledge either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee's order of reference.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 2.58 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Friday 15th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:


Top Salaries,—Copies of—
(1) an Interim Report on top salaries, and
(2) a Report on Ministers of the Crown and Members of Parliament and the Peers' expenses allowance
by the Review Body on Top Salaries [by Command] [Cmnd. 8243 and 8244].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Industrial Training,—Copies of Orders, dated 1st May 1981, entitled—
(1) the Industrial Training Levy (Distributive Board) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 711),
(2) the Industrial Training Levy (Food, Drink and Tobacco) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 707),
(3) the Industrial Training Levy (Hotel and Catering) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 709), and
(4) the Industrial Training Levy (Knitting, Lace and Net) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 706)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration,—Copy of the Report of the Review Body on Doctors' and Dentists' remuneration for 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8239].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Hire Purchase,—Copy of an Order, dated 14th May 1981, entitled the Control of Hiring and Hire-Purchase and Credit Sale Agreements (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 746) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industry,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of BL Limited for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


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Friday 15th May 1981

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 43 (Business Committee), Mr. Speaker nominated Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Roy Hattersley, Mr. Richard Luce, Mr. John Major, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Timothy Raison, and Mr. John Tilley, to be members of the Business Committee in respect of the British Nationality Bill.

In pursuance of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919, Mr. Speaker nominated Mr. Frank Field to serve for the duration of the present Parliament upon the Ecclesiastical Committee in the room of Mr. Ernest Armstrong.

[No. 105.]

Monday, 18th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

South Yorkshire Bill.—A Bill to amend the references to the Highways Act 1980 in the South Yorkshire Act 1980, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-x].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 18th May, together with Appendices.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 259-iii].

European Community Documents.—Ordered, That European Community Document No. 7972/80, concerning environmental assessment of projects, be referred to a Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Government Housing Policy in Scotland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House condemns Her Majesty’s Government for its failure to produce a housing policy relevant to the needs of the people of Scotland.—(Mr. Hugh D. Brown): —It was negatived.

Iron and Steel Bill.—The Iron and Steel Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Common Fisheries Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 11626/80 and Corrigendum I on the social aspects of the Community sea fishing sector, 4884/81 and 5361/81 on quotas, 5304/81, 5360/81, 5362/81 and 6021/81 on total allowable catches and surveillance zones, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food’s unnumbered memoranda of 9th February 1981 on quotas, of 28th April 1981 on Swedish registered vessels fishing in the waters of member states of the European Community, and of 11th May 1981 on Faroese fishing in the waters of member states of the European Community; endorses the view that social measures, particularly in relation to working conditions and remuneration, are best left to the discretion of national authorities, and supports the Government’s aim of securing an early comprehensive settlement on a satisfactory revised common fisheries policy.—(Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith): —Debate arising:

And it being half-past Eleven o’clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question pursuant to Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business): —It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 11626/80 and Corrigendum I on the social aspects of the Community sea fishing sector, 4884/81 and 5361/81 on quotas, 5304/81, 5360/81, 5362/81 and 6021/81 on total allowable catches and surveillance zones, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food’s unnumbered memoranda of 9th February 1981 on quotas, of 28th April 1981 on Swedish registered vessels fishing in the waters of member states of the European Community, and of 11th May 1981 on Faroese fishing in the waters of member states of the European Community; endorses the view that social measures, particularly in relation to working conditions and remuneration, are best left to the discretion of national authorities, and supports the Government’s aim of securing an early comprehensive settlement on a satisfactory revised common fisheries policy.

National Health Service.—Resolved, That the draft General Practice Finance Corporation (Increase of Borrowing Powers) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 1st May, be approved.—(Sir George Young.)

Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (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. Alastair Goodlad): —It was agreed to.

Terms and Conditions of Employment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Employment Protection (Employment in Aided Schools) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 15th April, be approved—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad): —It was agreed to.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning;
Tuesday, 19th May, 1981:

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 twenty-nine minutes past Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.29 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 18th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 5th May 1981,
(2) 7th May 1981, and
(3) 8th May 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Health Service Commissioner,—Copy of the Second Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1980-81 [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 306].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:
Housing,—Copies of Orders, dated 7th May 1981, entitled—
(1) the Housing Association Grant (Disposal of Dwellings) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 722), and
(2) the Local Authority Contributions (Disposal of Dwellings) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 723)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Pipe-lines,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th May 1981, entitled the Submarine Pipe-lines (Electricity Generating Stations) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 750) [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:
Dentists,—Copy of the Account of the General Dental Council for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Transport Docks Board for 1980 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 18th May 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee C.

[No. 106]

Tuesday, 19th May, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords].—The British Railways (Victoria) Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.—A Motion being made, That the Whitehaven Harbour 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.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-first Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxiii].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 19th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-vii].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th May.

Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-ii].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report) [Vagrancy Offences].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 271].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 271].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Seventeenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xviii].

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].—Mr. John Hunt reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 144].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 335].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Miss Betty Boothroyd reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 7th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 333].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Barry Henderson reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 12th May.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 334].

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 Judicial Pensions Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Northern Ireland Committee.—Ordered, That the matters of Housing conditions in Northern Ireland, grants for improvement (intermediate and repair), together with proposals for a draft Housing (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order, being matters relating exclusively to
Northern Ireland, be referred to the Northern Ireland Committee for their consideration.  
—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for dog licence fees and for the general welfare and control of dogs; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. James Lamond, Mr. Teddy Taylor, Mr. Bill Walker, Mr. Tom McNally, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Greville Janner, Mr. Peter Fraser, and Mr. Andrew Bennett, do prepare and bring it in.

Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—Mr. Albert McQuarrie accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision for dog licence fees and for the general welfare and control of dogs; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 5th June and to be printed [Bill 142].

Defence,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1981, contained in Cmnd. 8212—(Mr. Secretary Nott);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “regrets that in the current economic climate there are no measures proposed by Her Majesty’s Government to reduce the excessive and uncontrolled defence expenditure to the same proportion of gross domestic product as that of the United Kingdom’s major European allies; deplores the failure of the Government to review the number and size of defence commitments and to cancel the Trident project which distorts all defence priorities; and, believing that the safety of the world depends on easing international tension and reducing nuclear and conventional arms, condemns the Government’s failure to pursue vigorously disarmament talks with the major countries concerned”, instead thereof. (Mr. Brynmor John.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;  
Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Debate to be resumed to-morrow.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Armed Forces Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Armed Forces (re-committed) Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Armed Forces (re-committed) Bill, as amended in the Select Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 29 agreed to.

A Clause (Abolition of the death penalty for remaining offences)—(Mr. Arthur Davidson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Homosexual offences)—(Mr. Arthur Davidson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 5 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Employment (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th May, be approved.—(Mr. Adam Butler.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes to Twelve o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
APPENDIX
Tuesday 19th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Miscellaneous (No. 11, 1981),—Copy of the Report of the Belize Constitutional Conference, held at London in April 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8245].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Highlands and Islands Development Board,—Copy of the Report of the Highlands and Islands Development Board for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Ports Council for 1980 [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 Cardiff-Llangurig Trunk Road (Abercynon-Pentrebach Diversion) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. 3) 1981 [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 made in accordance with Regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 in respect of the eight deposited Schedules referred to in the Greater London Council (Transfer of Land and Housing Accommodation) (No. 2) Order 1981 and the deposited Schedule referred to in the Greater London Council (Transfer of Land and Housing Accommodation) (No. 3) Order 1981, and have taken no further action in the matter.

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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Home Secretary on the Petition [7th May] from British citizens resident in the Republic of Sierra Leone for the amendment of the British Nationality Bill to enable British citizens by descent to pass their citizenship on to their own children born overseas [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

MEMORANDUM
Tuesday 19th May 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated European Community Document No. 7972/80, concerning environmental assessment of projects, to the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.

[No. 107.]

Wednesday, 20th May, 1981.

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).

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill,—The Second 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 Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill and found the
same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

British Nationality Bill (Business Committee).—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Business Committee, That they had come to a Resolution, in respect of the British Nationality Bill, which they had directed him to make to the House:

That—

(1) The order in which proceedings on Consideration are taken shall be new Clauses, amendments to Clauses 1 to 33, Schedule 2, Clause 34, Schedule 3, Clauses 35 and 36, Schedule 4, Clauses 37 to 39, Schedule 5, Clauses 40 to 46, Schedule 6, Clauses 47 and 48, Schedules 7 to 9, Clause 49, Schedule 1 and new Schedules.

(2) The allotted days which under the Order [29th April] are given to the proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading shall be allotted in the manner shown in the Table set out below and, subject to the provisions of that Order, each part of the proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the third column of that Table.

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Report to lie upon the Table.

Defence.—Sir John Langford-Holt reported from the Defence 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 (Fourth Report) [Strategic Nuclear Weapons Policy].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 36].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-xi].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-ix].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-third Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxiii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxiii].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report) [Effects of BSC’s Corporate Plan].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 336].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 336].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th May. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 255-iv].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th May. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-vii].

Transport,—Sir David Price reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th May. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-ix].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th May. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 325-il].

Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 12th June and to be printed [Bill 145].

Control of Space Invaders and other Electronic Games,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower local authorities to control by licensing and through the grant of planning permission space invaders and other electronic games in all premises to which the public have access with or without payment; and for connected purposes—(Mr. George Foulkes);

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. John Home Robertson, Mr. Norman Hogg: 94.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. Michael Brown: 114.

So the Question was negatived.

Defence,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Question proposed yesterday, That this House approves the Statement on the Defence Estimates 1981, contained in Cmd. 8212;

Which Amendment was, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "regrets that in the current economic climate there are no measures proposed by Her Majesty's Government to reduce the excessive and uncontrolled defence expenditure to the same proportion of gross domestic product as that of the United Kingdom's major European allies; deprecates the failure of the Government to review the number and size of defence commitments and to cancel the Trident project which distorts all defence priorities; and, believing that the safety of the world depends on easing international tension and reducing nuclear and conventional arms, condemns the Government's failure to pursue vigorously disarmament talks with the major countries concerned", instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Tinn: 232.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 313.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 312.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. Clive Soley: 75.

So the Question was agreed to;

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—

(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 112.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Allen McKay : 60.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 21st May, 1981:

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 Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

(Adjourned at 12.9 a.m.

APPENDIX

Wednesday 20th May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Industry and Trade.—Copy of the Government's Reply to the First Report from the Industry and Trade Committee, Session 1980-81, on trade policy [by Command] [Cmnd. 8247].


Monopolies and Mergers.—Copy of a Report from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the operation by the Central Electricity Generating Board of its system for the generation and supply of electricity in bulk [by Act]; to be printed [No. 315].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of British Aerospace for 1980 [by Act].

Industry.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Enterprise Board for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Secretary Howell:

Nuclear Industry (Finance).—Statement of Guarantee given by the Secretary of State for Energy with the consent of H.M. Treasury on 19th May 1981 on loans raised by British Nuclear Fuels Limited [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Transport.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Freight Corporation for 1980 [by Act].

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


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Thursday, 21st May, 1981.

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

**PRAYERS.**

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Humberside Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

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 Thursday 4th June.

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

Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee).—Mr. Michael Meacher reported from the Committee on the Lloyd's Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday 1st June at Twelve o'clock.

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 21st May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 38-xiv].

Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords].—Mr. Victor Goodhew reported from Standing Committee G, That they had gone through the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 143].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 337].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers upon the Peterborough Development Corporation in relation to the production and supply of heat by the Corporation; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Preston Borough Council to close the port and harbour of Preston, to repeal the Ribble Navigation Acts 1883 to 1964; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords]].

Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 12th June.

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:

5. Western Isles Islands Council (Berneray Ferry) Order Confirmation Act 1981.

Adjournment (Spring),—Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn till Monday 1st June.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Broadcasting,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Licence and Agreement between the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the British Broadcasting Corporation (Cmnd. 8233), dated 2nd April 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th April, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 22nd May, 1981:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That the Licence and Agreement between the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the British Broadcasting Corporation (Cmnd. 8233), dated 2nd April 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th April, be approved.

Shipping Standards and Prevention of Oil Pollution,—Resolved, That this House takes note of the European Community Documents Nos. 8480/80 (draft Directive concerning the enforcement, in respect of shipping using Community ports, of international standards for shipping safety and pollution prevention) and 8479/80 (Communication concerning a plan to combat oil pollution of the sea) and the updated explanatory memoranda of 18th May 1981; and welcomes the Government’s intention to continue to work to improve the standards of maritime safety and to combat oil pollution.—(Mr. Reginald Eyre.)

European Communities,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Accession of the Republic of Zimbabwe to the Second ACP-EEC Convention of Lome) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 30th April, be approved—(Mr. Tony Newton):—It was agreed to.

Sheriff Court (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Summary Cause) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 6th May, be approved—(Mr. Tony Newton):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes to Two o’clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.54 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 21st May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:


Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Pool Competitions Act 1971 (Continuance) Order 1981 [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:


Treaty Series (No. 29, 1981),—Copy of Amendments to Annex I to the Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such Carriage (ATP) 1970 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8221].
Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
National Health Service,—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 13th May 1981, entitled the Rampton Hospital Review Board (Establishment and Constitution) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 727), and
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:
Enterprise Zones,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th May 1981, entitled the Lower Swansea Valley Enterprise Zone Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 757) [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:
Fugitive Criminal,—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 13th May 1981, entitled—
(1) the Extradition (Hijacking) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 731),
(2) the Extradition (Internationally Protected Persons) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 732),
(3) the Extradition (Protection of Aircraft) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 733), and
(4) the Extradition (Tokyo Convention) (Amendment No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 734)
[by Act].

Merchant Shipping,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 13th May 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Fishing Boats Registry) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 740) [by Act].


Mr. Peter Walker:

[No. 109.]
Friday, 22nd May, 1981.
The House met at half-past Nine o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for the cancellation of the M54 motorway programme was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

Scottish Estimates,—Ordered, That the Estimates set out hereunder be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee:

Class XV, Vote 3, Regional and General Industrial Support, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 4, Manpower Services Commission, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 5, Selective Assistance and Compensation, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 6, Roads, Transport and Environmental Services, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 7, Local Transport Services, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 8, Housing, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 9, New Towns, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 10, Water, Sewerage and Local Environmental Services, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 12, Police Grant, Legal Aid and Criminal Injuries Compensation, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 14, Prisons, Hospitals and Community Health Services, etc., Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 16, Student Awards, Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 20, Health (Family Practitioner Services), Scotland.
Class XV, Vote 24, Scottish Office Administration.
Class XVIII, Vote 5, Rate Support Grants (1981–82) to Local Revenues, Scotland.
Class XVIII, Vote 8, Rate Rebate Grants to Local Revenues, Scotland.
Class XVIII, Vote 14, National Health Service (Superannuation, &c.), Scotland.

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

Animal Health Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That, in respect of the Animal Health Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. John Cope.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes past Two o'clock, adjourned till Monday 1st June, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

[Adjourned at 2.20 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 22nd May 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 11th May 1981, and
(2) 12th May 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

[No. 110.]
Monday, 1st June, 1981.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

South Yorkshire Bill,—The South Yorkshire Bill was read a second time and committed.

Sion College Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the Sion College Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

London Transport Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the London Transport Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

Private Bills (Adjournment of Committee),—Mr. Michael Meacher reported from the Committee on the Lloyd's Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday 20th July at half-past Ten o'clock.

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 1st June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 259–iv].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:
The Lords have agreed to the Ports (Financial Assistance) Bill, without Amendment.

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)
Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords];

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. John Cope, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 149.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. George Morton: 87.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Commitment of Bills).

Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Education (School Information) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 630), dated 15th April 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 1st May, be annulled—(Mr. Neil Kinnock);

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4 (Prayers against Statutory Instruments, &c. (negative procedure)):

It was negatived.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Peter Brooke)—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 Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 12 midnight.

APPENDIX

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:


Treaty Series (No. 31, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Maseru on 18th February 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho for the promotion and protection of investments [Cmnd. 8246].

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:

26th May 1981


28th May 1981


Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 1st June 1981:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Commonwealth Development Corporation,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Commonwealth Development Corporation for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Housing (Scotland),—Copy of an Order, dated 15th April 1981, entitled the Housing (Standard Amenities Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 637) [by Act].


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1981 [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Barney Hayhoe:

Parliament,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Ministerial and other Salaries Order 1981 [by Act].

MEMORANDA

Monday 1st June 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] to the First Scottish Standing Committee.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. John Hunt an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].

[No. 111.]

Tuesday, 2nd June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill, 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 I).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 2nd June and Memoranda laid before them:

And the Report was brought up and read (Twenty-second Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxiv].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxv].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had directed her to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 2nd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 324-ii].
Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Eighteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xix].

Right of Reply in the Media.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give members of the public the right to reply to allegations made against them in the Press, or on radio or television; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Frank Allaun, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. John Tilley, Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Robert Edwards, Mr. David Watkins, Mr. William Wilson, Mr. Dennis Canavan, and Miss Jo Richardson, do prepare and bring it in.

Right of Reply in the Media Bill.—Mr. Frank Allaun accordingly presented a Bill to give members of the public the right to reply to allegations made against them in the Press, or on radio or television; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 146].

British Nationality Bill (Allocation of Time).—Ordered, That the Report [20th May] from the Business Committee be now considered. —(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Report.

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 43 (Business Committee), That this House doth agree with the Committee in their Resolution:—It was agreed to.

British Nationality Bill [1st allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Nationality Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Right to registration as British citizen by virtue of father's citizenship etc.)—(Mr. Timothy Raison)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Right to registration as citizen of the British Dependent Territories by virtue of father's citizenship etc.)—(Mr. Richard Luce)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Registration and naturalisation under British Nationality Acts 1948 to 1965)—(Mr. Timothy Raison)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Right of Appeal)—(Mr. Roy Hattersley)—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. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 229.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 290.

Another Clause (Rights of registration)—(Mr. John Tilley)—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, at this day's sitting, the Animal Health Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

British Nationality Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the British Nationality Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Clause (Rights of registration) be read a second time:—Debate resumed.

Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. James Hamilton: 226.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 289.
Another Clause (Right to registration by virtue of United Kingdom nationality for European Community purposes)—(Mr. Albert McQuarrie)—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.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Neville Sandelson: 248.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 273.

And it being after Twelve o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned pursuant to the Order [29th April].

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be further considered this day.

Animal Health Bill [Lords].—The Animal Health Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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 97 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Alastair Goodlad 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.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (3)(i) of Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1884) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Liaison Committee.—Ordered, That Sir John Langford-Holt be discharged from the Liaison Committee and Mr. Cranley Onslow be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till One o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1 a.m.]

**APPENDIX I**

**Tuesday 2nd June 1981**

*Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:*

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 13th May 1981,
(2) 14th May 1981,
(3) 15th May 1981,
(4) 18th May 1981,
(5) 19th May 1981,
(6) 20th May 1981,
(7) 22nd May 1981, and
(8) 26th May 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

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Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 34, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and Turkey, fixing the additional amount to be deducted from the levy on imports into the Community of untreated olive oil originating in Turkey, for the year ending 31st October 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8259].

European Communities (No. 35, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Tunisia, fixing the additional amount to be deducted from the levy on imports into the Community of untreated olive oil originating in Tunisia, for the year ending 31st October 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8260].

Privileges and Immunities (Miscellaneous No. 12, 1981).—Copy of Notes, exchanged at London on 1st May 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts, amending the Agreement of 1977 on social security arrangements for staff at the Centre (the Agreement is not in force) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8255].

Treaty Series (No. 30, 1981).—Copy of a Convention, open for signature at Paris from 30th May to 31st December 1975, on the establishment of a European Space Agency [by Command] [Cmnd. 8200].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Industrial Training,—Copies of Orders, dated 21st May 1981, entitled—

(1) the Industrial Training Levy (Furniture and Timber) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 776), and
(2) the Industrial Training Levy (Wool, Jute and Flax) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 775)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

European Communities,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].


Sex Discrimination (Northern Ireland).—Copy of the Report of the Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Statutory Instrument]; to be printed [No. 316].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Anthony Grant and Mr. David Mellor (nominated in respect of the Supreme Court Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Michael Brown and Mr. Matthew Parris.

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 2nd June 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee A; the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.
Wednesday, 3rd June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee on the British Railways (No. 2) 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 thereto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and had 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.

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd June, together with an Appendix.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-iii].

European Legislation, &c.,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-fourth Report).

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxiv].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 343-i].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th April.

Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-iv].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-viii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Sound Broadcasting,—Sir Anthony Royle reported from the Select Committee on Sound Broadcasting, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 30th January and 16th July 1980, in the last Session of Parliament, together with Appendices.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 346-II].

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 344-i and 174-x].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 3rd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 345].

Industry and Trade,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Trefgarne to attend to be examined as a witness before the Industry and Trade Committee.—(Sir Donald Kaberry.)

Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June.
Abolition of Warrant Sales (Scotland).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the existing practice of warrant sales and to replace it with a Debt Arbitration Service; and to control the employment and conduct of sheriff officers: And that Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. James Dempsey, Mr. Gregor Mackenzie, Mr. Albert McQuarrie, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. David Myles, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. John Mackay, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. David Marshall, Mr. Bill Walker, and Dr. J. Dickson Mabon, do prepare and bring it in.

Abolition of Warrant Sales (Scotland) Bill,—Mr. Dennis Canavan accordingly presented a Bill to abolish the existing practice of warrant sales and to replace it with a Debt Arbitration Service; and to control the employment and conduct of sheriff officers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd July and to be printed [Bill 147].

British Nationality Bill [2nd allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the British Nationality Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 9, to leave out from the word " citizen " to the end of line 12 and insert the words—

" unless—

(a) his father or his mother is a member of a mission within the meaning of the Diplomatic Privileges Act 1964; or

(b) his father or mother is a member of a consular post of any State, as defined in section 7(2) of the Consular Relations Act 1968;

and in either case the child acquires the nationality of another State at birth ", instead thereof.—(Mr. Roy Hattersley.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Allen McKay: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 280.

Amendments (Nos. 2 and 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 19, to leave out paragraph (b) and insert the words—

" (b) that the parent in question was employed in relevant employment (but not necessarily the same relevant employment) throughout the period of two years ending with the date of the birth and was on that date employed in overseas employment; and ", instead thereof.—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)

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

And it being Nine o'clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order [29th April] and the Resolution [2nd June], to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair:—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at Nine o'clock.

Other Amendments (Nos. 6 to 8, 10 to 22, and 24 to 27) made to the Bill.

Other Amendments (Nos. 28 to 41) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 42) proposed to the Bill, in page 48, line 36, to leave out the words " a British Overseas Citizen ".(Mr. John Tilley.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. James Tinn: 219.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 270.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)

Bill to be further considered to-morrow.

Insurance Contracts,—Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 8144/79 and 4124/81 on insurance contract law and of the Department of Trade's explanatory memoranda of August 1979, 31st October 1980, and 12th February 1981; and welcomes the Government's intention to ensure that the provisions of the proposed directive should take account of the scope for reform of United Kingdom law identified in the Law Commission's Report on Insurance Law: Non-disclosure and Breach of Warranty, Cmdn. 8064.—(Mr. Reginald Eyre.)

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad):—Debate arising;
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 4th June, 1981:

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 twenty-seven minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day. [Adjourned at 12.27 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday, 3rd June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Public Health (Scotland),—Copy of an Order, dated 8th May 1981, entitled the City of Glasgow District Council (Common Lodging-Houses) (Charges) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 758) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st May 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Linguistic Knowledge for General Medical Services and General Dental Services) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 774) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heaseltine:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th April 1981, entitled the Anglesey Marine Terminal Revision Order 1981; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

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


APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Ten Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of certain Scottish Estimates, viz.: Mr. Jack Aspinwall, Mr. Tom Benyon, Mr. John Blackburn, Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Viscount Cranborne, Mrs. Sheila Faith, Mr. Harry Greenway, Mr. David Knox, Mr. Tony Marlow, and Mr. Christopher Murphy.

Northern Ireland Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Twenty Members to serve on the Northern Ireland Committee in respect of the matters of Housing conditions in Northern Ireland, Grants for improvement (intermediate and repair), together with proposals for a draft Housing (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order, viz.: Mr. Jonathan Aitken, Mr. Tom Arnold, Mr. Keith Best, Mr. John Biggs-Davison, Mr. Denishore Dover, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mr. John Farr, Sir Nigel Fisher, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Michael Mates, Mr. Carol Mather, Dr. Brian Mawhinney, Mr. David Mitchell, Mr. Michael Morris, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mr. Tom Pendry, Mr. A. W. Stiallard, and Mr. Stan Thorne.
Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Nicholas Baker, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Jocelyn Cadbury, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Ioan Evans, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Bruce George, Mr. Greville Janner, Mr. Anthony Nelson, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. Geoffrey Robinson, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Martin Stevens, and Mr. Neville Trotter.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones, Mrs. Jill Knight, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. William McKelvey, Mr. John McWilliam, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Patrick Mayhew, Mr. Norman Miscampbell, Mr. S. C. Sitkin, Mr. John Stokes, Dr. Shirley Summerskill, and Mr. John Wheeler.

First Scottish Standing Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], viz., Mr. Allen Adams, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. Donald Dewar, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Michael Martin, Dr. M. S. Miller, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Alex Pollock, Mr. Malcolm Riffkind, Mr. Allan Stewart, and Mr. Bill Walker.

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Document No. 7972/80, concerning environmental assessment of projects, viz.: Mr. Robert Atkins, Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. John Cope, Mr. George Gardiner, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Douglas Jay, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. Bryan Magee, Mr. Fergus Montgomery, Mr. Gordon Oakes, Mr. Giles Shaw, Mr. Richard Shepherd, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Anthony Steen, and Mr. William Wilson.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Neil Carmichael, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. Jim Craigen, Mr. Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr. John Grant, Mr. Robert Litherland, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. David Madel, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. Peter Morrison, Mr. Richard Needham, Mr. William Shelton, Mr. Fred Silvester, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. Michael Welsh, and Mr. Keith Wickenden.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1884), viz.: Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Tim Brinton, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Timothy Eggar, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Robert Litherland, Dr. Oonagh McDonald, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. K. Harvey Proctor, Mr. Roger Sims, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Edwin Wainwright, Mr. Ken Weetch, Mr. Frank R. White, and Mr. Ray Whitney.
the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

Sion College Bill [Lords].—The Sion College Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

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 Thursday 11th June.

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

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 4th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 321-ii].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventh Report) [Matters relating to Northern Ireland].

Report, together with Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 284].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 284].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Eighth Report) [Matters relating to the Department of the Environment].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 247].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 247].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Ninth Report) [Internal Audit in Central Government].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 270].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 270].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Tenth Report) [Matters relating to the Department of Education and Science].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 233].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 233].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland 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 Fisheries Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Fisheries Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Fisheries Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 148].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)
British Nationality Bill [3rd allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the British Nationality Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Other Amendments (Nos. 44 and 45) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 47) proposed to the Bill, in page 29, line 42, at the end, to insert the words "except regulations concerning fees for any application made to the Secretary of State under this Act which shall be subject to approval by resolution of the House of Commons".—(Mr. John Tilley.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank Haynes: 225.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 264.

Another Amendment (No. 48) proposed to the Bill, in page 31, line 10, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Tony Marlow.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 105) proposed to the Bill, in page 31, line 17, after the word "discretion" to insert the words "save where the reason for refusal of an application is that the Secretary of State is not satisfied that requirements of residence or of sufficient knowledge of the English or Welsh language have been fulfilled".—(Mr. Edward Lyons.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 112) proposed to the Bill, in page 31, line 19, to leave out the words "or review in".—(Mr. Edward Lyons.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Maclean, Mr. Edward Lyons: 231.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 282.

Other Amendments (Nos. 49 and 50) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 88) proposed to the Bill, in page 35, line 10, to leave out from the word "to" to the end of line 13, and insert the words "being resident within the United Kingdom at any time after his conditions of residence have been removed by the Secretary of State. The burden of proving that the conditions were removed as a result of fraud, false representation or the deliberate concealment of any material fact shall lie upon the Secretary of State. Appeals against any such decisions shall lie to the adjudicator under the Immigration Act 1971", instead thereof.—(Mr. Alexander Lyon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Hugh McCartney: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 281.

Another Amendment (No. 90) proposed, in page 37, line 22, to leave out subsection (9), and insert the words—

"(9) For the purposes of this Act an illegitimate child shall be treated as the legitimate child of his mother and his father", instead thereof.—(Miss Jo Richardson.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Frank Haynes: 231.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 281.

And it being after Eight o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order [29th April] and the Resolution [2nd June], to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at that hour.

Other Amendments (Nos. 58 to 65) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 66) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 111) proposed to the Bill, in page 42, line 42, to leave out the words "and (c)".—(Mr. Edward Lyons.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. A. J. Beith: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 275.
Another Amendment (No. 67) made to the Bill.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
The House proceeded to a Division.
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday morning:

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 287.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. James Hamilton : 234.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad)—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 nineteen minutes to One o'clock on Friday morning, till this day.

(Approved at 12.41 a.m.

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**APPENDIX I**

*Thursday 4th June 1981*

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

**Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:**

Coroners,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th May 1981, entitled the West Yorkshire (Coroners' Districts) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 790) [by Act].

**Sir Ian Gilmour:**

European Communities (No. 29, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, fixing the additional amount to be deducted from the levy on imports into the Community of untreated olive oil originating in Algeria, for the year ending 31st October 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8250].

European Communities (No. 33, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco, fixing the additional amount to be deducted from the levy on imports into the Community of untreated olive oil originating in Morocco, for the year ending 31st October 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8258].

Morocco (No. 2, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Rabat on 12th February 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco on compensation for properties transferred to the State under the Dahir of 2nd March 1973 (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8249].

**Mr. Secretary Carlisle:**


**Mr. Secretary Biffen:**

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Reports of inspection of—
(1) local lighthouses, etc., by the Corporation of Trinity House,
(2) local navigational aids by Commissioners of Irish Lights, and
(3) local navigational aids by Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses [by Act].

**Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:**

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Greville Janner (nominated in respect of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Tom Torney.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Dr. Edmund Marshall (nominated in respect of the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Leslie Spring.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Robert Litherland and Mr. Ray Mawby (nominated in respect of the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Gilroy Bevan, Mr. Gregor MacKenzie, and Mr. Ken Weetch.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Edwin Wainwright and Mr. Ken Weetch (nominated in respect of the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1981) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier and Mr. Raymond Powell.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 4th June 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Paul Dean Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords] ; Mr. Harry Gourlay and Mr. Barry Henderson Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] ; Dr. Edmund Marshall Chairman of the Northern Ireland Committee in respect of the matters of Housing conditions in Northern Ireland, Grants for improvement (intermediate and repair), together with proposals for a draft Housing (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order ; Miss Betty Boothroyd Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981 ; Mr. Victor Goodhew Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980 ; and Mr. John Wells Chairman of the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Community Document No. 7972/80.

[No. 114.]

Friday, 5th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one 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 Amendment made by this House to the Sion College Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business), if proceedings on the Motions relating to Members' Salaries (Expression of Opinion), Members' Salaries, Members' Office, Secretarial and Research Allowance and Parliament, have not been disposed of by half past Two o'clock, any Amendments to the first Motion, which have been selected by Mr. Speaker, may be moved, the Questions thereon shall be put forthwith, and Mr. Speaker shall then proceed forthwith to put the Question upon the said Motion and any Questions necessary to dispose of the other Motions and of any Amendments moved thereto which have been selected by him. (Mr. Francis Pym.)
Members' Salaries (Expression of Opinion).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the salaries payable to Members of this House in respect of service on and after 13th June 1981 should be at the following yearly rates—

(1) £13,950 for Members not falling within paragraph (2); and
(2) £8,130 for Officers of this House and Members receiving a salary under the Ministerial and other Salaries Act 1975 or a pension under section 26 of the Parliamentary and Other Pensions Act 1972—(Mr. Francis Pym);

An Amendment (a) was proposed to the Question, in line 5, to leave out “£13,950” and insert “£13,150”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Roger Moate, Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne: 9.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Wakeham: 137.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the salaries payable to Members of this House in respect of service on and after 13th June 1981 should be at the following yearly rates—

(1) £13,950 for Members not falling within paragraph (2); and
(2) £8,130 for Officers of this House and Members receiving a salary under the Ministerial and other Salaries Act 1975 or a pension under section 26 of the Parliamentary and Other Pensions Act 1972.

Members' Salaries.—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Members' Salaries;

Resolved, That the salaries payable to Members of this House in respect of service on and after 13th June 1981 shall be at the following yearly rates—

(1) £13,950 for Members not falling within paragraph (2); and
(2) £8,130 for Officers of this House and Members receiving a salary under the Ministerial and other Salaries Act 1975 or a pension under section 26 of the Parliamentary and Other Pensions Act 1972. (Mr. Francis Pym.)

Members' Office, Secretarial and Research Allowance.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House—

(a) the limit on the allowance payable to a Member of this House in respect of the aggregate expenses incurred by him for his parliamentary duties as general office expenses, on secretarial assistance and on research assistance should be £8,384 for the year ending 31st March 1982 and £8,480 for any subsequent year; and
(b) provision should be made to enable each Member in receipt of the allowance to contribute sums, not exceeding in the year ending 31st March 1982 £838 and in any subsequent year £848, to an approved pension scheme for the provision of pensions or other benefits for or in respect of persons in the payment of whose salaries expenses are incurred by him; and
(c) provision should be made under arrangements approved by Mr. Speaker to enable a Member in receipt of the allowance to incur further expenses for his parliamentary duties by obtaining temporary secretarial or research assistance while a person to whom a salary is paid by him is prevented through illness from providing such assistance.

For the purposes of this Resolution expenses which, at a time when Parliament is dissolved, are incurred in connection with his former or prospective parliamentary duties by a person who was a Member immediately before the dissolution shall be treated as incurred by him as a Member and for his parliamentary duties—(Mr. Francis Pym);

An Amendment (a) was proposed to the Question, in line 3, to leave out the words “the limit on”.—(Mr. Alfred Dubs.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Dafydd Wigley: 23.


So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;
Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House—

(a) the limit on the allowance payable to a Member of this House in respect of the aggregate expenses incurred by him for his parliamentary duties as general office expenses, on secretarial assistance and on research assistance should be £8,384 for the year ending 31st March 1982 and £8,480 for any subsequent year; and

(b) provision should be made to enable each Member in receipt of the allowance to contribute sums, not exceeding in the year ending 31st March 1982 £838 and in any subsequent year £848, to an approved pension scheme for the provision of pensions or other benefits for or in respect of persons in the payment of whose salaries expenses are incurred by him; and

(c) provision should be made under arrangements approved by Mr. Speaker to enable a Member in receipt of the allowance to incur further expenses for his Parliamentary duties by obtaining temporary secretarial or research assistance while a person to whom a salary is paid by him is prevented through illness from providing such assistance.

For the purposes of this Resolution, expenses which, at a time when Parliament is dissolved, are incurred in connection with his former or prospective parliamentary duties by a person who was a Member immediately before the dissolution shall be treated as incurred by him as a Member and for his parliamentary duties.

Parliament,—Resolved, That the draft Ministerial and other Salaries Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 1st June, be approved.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (4) of Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), the Chairman shall put any Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980, if not previously concluded, when the Committee shall have sat for two and a half hours.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Foreign Affairs,—Ordered, That Mr. Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler be discharged from the Foreign Affairs Committee and Mr. Bowen Wells be added to the Committee.—(Sir Albert Costain, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

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

And it being half-past Two o’clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

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

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

[Adjourned at 2.48 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 5th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 27th May 1981, and
(2) 28th May 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Colonial Loans,—Statement of implementation of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on 16th December 1976 of a loan made to the Caribbean Development Bank by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development [by Act].

National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 2nd June 1981 on stock issued by the General Practice Finance Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Peter Rees:

Income Tax,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—

(1) the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981.
(2) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981.
(3) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981,
(4) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981, and
(5) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes made by the Governing
bodies of—
(1) Newnham College, Cambridge, on 6th March 1981 amending the Statutes of
the College, and
(2) the University of Cambridge on 25th March 1981 amending the Statutes of the
University
[by Act].

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

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the Fourth Report of the Parlia-
mentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1980-81, on the sale of Wisley
airfield [by Act]; to be printed [No. 322].

[No. 115.]

Monday, 8th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill,—The Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill was read the
third time, and passed.

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

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That
they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th
June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 349-1].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix
II).

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward Du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil
Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken
before them on 8th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 348-1].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Licensing Act 1964
in relation to special hours certificates; to which the Lords desire the concurrence
of this House [Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

Industry and Trade,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Trefgarne to attend to be
examined as a witness before the Industry and Trade Committee, his Lordship in his
place consenting.

Education (Scotland) Bill (changed from Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill).—The House,
according to Order, proceeded to consider the Education (Scotland) Bill, as amended in
the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Colleges of Education)—(Mr. Harry Ewing)—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. James Hamilton, Mr. Joe Dean: 111.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. Tony Newton: 154.

Another Clause (Procedure for dismissal of teachers)—(Mr. Allan Stewart)—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, at this day's sitting, the Education (Scotland) Bill
may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour and the Motion relating to
Health and Safety may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven
o'clock or for one and a half hours after it has been entered upon, whichever is the later.
—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Education (Scotland) Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Education (Scotland)
Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Clause (Procedure for dismissal of teachers) be
read a second time:—Debate resumed.

Question put and negatived.

Another Clause (Student records)—(Mr. Martin O'Neill)—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.

Tuesday, 9th June, 1981:

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. James Hamilton : 42.

Another Clause (Corporal punishment)—(Mr. Martin O'Neill)—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. Robert Hughes, Mr. George Foulkes : 24.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Alastair Goodlad : 101.

Another Clause (Provision of further education)—(Mr. Gordon Wilson)—brought up, and read the
first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and nega-
tived.

Another Clause (Standing review body on teachers' pay)—(Mr. George Foulkes)—
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 (Pre-school education)—(Mr. George Foulkes)—brought up, and read the
first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and nega-
tived.

Another Clause (Parent-teacher organisations)—(Mr. John Maxton)—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 (Educational maintenance allowances)—(Mr. Dennis Canavan)—
brought up and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and nega-
tived.

Another Clause (Overseas students' fees)—(Mr. Dennis Canavan)—brought up, and read the
first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and nega-
tived.

Another Clause (Student awards)—(Mr. Dennis Canavan)—brought up, and read the
first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and nega-
tived.
Amendments (Nos. 1, 3, 5 to 7, 18, 19 and 26 to 56) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 58) proposed to the Bill, in page 25, line 39, at the end, to insert the words—

" (8) If the recommendation under subsection 5(a) above is that the child or young person would benefit therefrom, then the education authority shall be under a duty to provide suitable education for the child or young person ."—(Mr. Dennis Canavan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 59) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 14, at the end, to insert the words—

" 65G. The Secretary of State shall provide additional financial assistance to enable local education authorities to fulfil their additional duties under this section 4 ."—(Mr. Dennis Canavan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 21, to leave out Clause No. 5.—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 67) proposed to the Bill, in page 31, line 13, to leave out Clause No. 6.—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 68 to 71, 73 to 76, 82, 83, 85 and 86) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 88) proposed to the Bill, in page 51, line 4, after the word " Universities ", to insert the words " and the power of appointing the Principal of Edinburgh University shall be transferred from the Curators of Patronage to the University Court ".—(Mr. George Foulkes.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 90 to 106, 110 and 112) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Health and Safety,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Health and Safety (Fees for Medical Examinations) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 334), dated 5th March 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 13th March, be revoked(Mr. Barry Jones) : It was negatived.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes to Eleven o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Adjourned at 10.39 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 8th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table :

Mr. Nigel Lawson :
New Towns (Scotland).—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 2nd June 1981 on loans raised by the Cumbernauld Development Corporation [by Act].

Water,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 2nd June 1981 on loans raised by the Southern Water Authority [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw :

Mr. Secretary Jenkin :

to be printed [No. 338].

Mr. Secretary Atkins :
Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Supreme Court (Northern Ireland).—Copy of Rules, dated 14th May 1981, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) 1981 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1981, No. 166) [by Act].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
Standing Committee A.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Jim Callaghan (nominated in respect of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords]); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Frank Dobson.

MEMORANDUM
Monday 8th June 1981
In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Albert Costain Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords].

[No. 116.]
Tuesday, 9th June, 1981.
The House met at half-past Two o’clock.
PRAYERS.
Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

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

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—Mr. Thomas McNally reported from the Committee on the County of Kent 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 had 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. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-third Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxvi].

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 352-i].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Nineteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xx].

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to Report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 9th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 344-ii].
First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—Mr. John Wells reported from the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents, European Community Document No. 7972/80 relating to the environmental assessment of projects, together with the following Resolution:

That this Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 7972/80 on the environmental assessment of projects; and welcomes the Government's policy of encouraging environmental assessment within the general principles of the existing law.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 355].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill to be considered tomorrow; and to be printed [Bill 150].

Highways (Small Business Signs).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to permit the posting of standard road directional signs to certain small business premises without the necessity to obtain planning permission or approval from the Department of Transport: And that Mr. Gerard Neale do prepare and bring it in.

Highways (Small Business Signs) Bill.—Mr. Gerard Neale accordingly presented a Bill to permit the posting of standard road directional signs to certain small business premises without the necessity to obtain planning permission or approval from the Department of Transport: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 19th June and to be printed [Bill 149].

Employment and Training [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Employment and Training [Money];

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Industrial Training Act 1964 it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State—

(a) in paying pensions, superannuation allowances or gratuities to or in respect of the former chairmen of industrial training boards wound up by orders made under section 9(1)(b) of that Act; and

(b) in making payments to the trustees of the Industrial Training Boards' Combined Pension Fund for the purpose of meeting the whole or part of any shortfall in the assets of the Fund referable to the pensions, superannuation allowances and gratuities payable in respect of the former officers and servants of industrial training boards which are wound up under that section.—(Mr. Peter Morrison.)

Employment and Training Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Employment and Training Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Enterprise Zones)—(Mr. Secretary Prior)—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. Robert Boscawen, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer : 249.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Hugh McCartney : 193.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (The Industrial Training Boards’ Combined Pension Fund)—(Mr. Peter Morrison)—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 Cope, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer : 247.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Joe Dean : 187.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Effective training organisation)—(Mr. David Penhaligon)—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. David Penhaligon, Mr. Tom Bradley : 174.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 231.
An Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 38, at the end, to insert the words—

"(4) If an order made under subsection (2) of this section has the effect of winding up an industrial training board the Minister shall, not more than twelve months after the order takes effect, and at annual intervals thereafter, publish and lay before Parliament a report of the training arrangements in the industry and the report shall contain information in particular about—
(a) the arrangements for monitoring skill shortages and other training needs, and the action being taken to alleviate them,
(b) the devising, and keeping up-to-date, and the publicising of training standards appropriate to the industry,
(c) the extent to which trade unions and educational institutions are involved in the industry’s training arrangements ".—(Mr. Harold Walker.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 44, at the end, to insert the words—

"(1A) For subsection (2A)(d)(i) of section 4 of the said Act of 1964 there shall be substituted:
(i) does not exceed an amount which the Minister estimates is equal to 3 per cent. of the aggregate of the emoluments and payments intended to be disbursed as emoluments which are paid and payable, by that employer to or in respect of persons employed in the industry, in respect of the period specified in the proposals as the period which is relevant for the purposes of this sub-paragraph, or ".—(Mr. Harold Walker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Frank Haynes: 170.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 232.

Amendments (Nos. 4 to 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 24) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, to leave out lines 31 and 32.—(Mr. Michael Shersby.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 7 to 9 and 14) made to the Bill.

And it being Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the Employment and Training Bill and the Education (Scotland) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Employment and Training Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Employment and Training Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 10, line 7, to leave out paragraph 4.—(Mr. Harold Walker.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. James Hamilton: 201.


A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 277.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. George Morton: 224.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Education (Scotland) Bill (changed from Education (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill).—A Motion being made, That the Education (Scotland) Bill be now read the third time:

Mr. Secretary Younger, 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;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 270.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Joe Dean: 220.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Agriculture,—Resolved, That the Sheep Variable Premium (Protection of Payments) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 751), a copy of which was laid before this House on 21st May, be approved.—(Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 10th June, 1981:

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 eight minutes past Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.8 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 9th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated
(1) 29th May 1981, and
(2) 1st June 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Parole,—Copy of the Report of the Parole Board for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 340].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Agriculture,—Copy of a Report on Agriculture in Scotland for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8234].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Monopolies and Mergers,—Copy of a Report by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on water services supplied by the Severn-Trent Water Authority, East Worcestershire Waterworks Company and the South Staffordshire Waterworks Company [by Act]; to be printed [No. 339].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industrial Organisation and Development,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981,
(2) the Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, and
(3) the Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 [by Act].

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Mr. Barney Hayhoe:


[No. 117.]

Wednesday, 10th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

South Yorkshire 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 South Yorkshire Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-fifth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxv].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxv].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 343-ii].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 356-i].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-ix].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 10th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 174-xl].

Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords],—Sir Albert Costain reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 19th June; and to be printed [Bill 152].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 357].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Miss Betty Boothroyd reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 1st June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 359].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Victor Goodhew reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) Order 1980 (S.I., 1980, No. 1884), referred to a Committee on 1st June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 358].
Treasury and Civil Service.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Croham to attend to be examined as a witness before the Sub-Committee appointed by the Treasury and Civil Service Committee.—(Mr. Edward Du Cann).

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 as to property held on behalf of the Re-formed Association of Churches of Christ in Great Britain and Ireland and its member churches, and for other purposes incidental to or consequential upon the unification of the Re-formed Association of Churches of Christ in Great Britain and Ireland with the United Reformed Church in England and Wales; and to amend in certain respects the United Reformed Church Act 1972, the Baptist and Congregational Trusts Act 1951 and other enactments: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].

Treasury and Civil Service.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Croham to attend to be examined as a witness before the Sub-Committee appointed by the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].—The United Reformed Church Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Hotels and Restaurants (Control of Service Charges).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the administration of service charges in hotels and restaurants; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. George Robertson, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Mr. R. C. Brown, Mr. Jack Ashley, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Neil Carmichael, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Mr. Michael English, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Giles Radice, and Mr. Don Dixon, do prepare and bring it in.

Hotels and Restaurants (Control of Service Charges) Bill.—Mr. George Robertson accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the administration of service charges in hotels and restaurants; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd July and to be printed [Bill 151].

Education Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Education Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Duty of health authority to notify parents)—(Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (National Advisory Committee)—(Mr. John Hannam)—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 1, to leave out lines 13 to 17.—(Mr. Alfred Morris.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, to leave out lines 7 to 10 and insert the words—

"(4) In the event that a child is assessed as having a learning difficulty partly or solely because the language (or form of the language) in which he is, or will be, taught is different from a language (or form of a language) which has at any time been spoken in his home, his parents shall have the right to be consulted ", instead thereof.—(Mr. Phillip Whitehead.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment (No. 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 18, after the word "governor", to insert the words "provided that the governor so designated has practical experience of special education or of children with special educational needs ".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 11 and 14) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 28, to leave out the word "may" and insert the word "shall", instead thereof.—(Mr. John Hannam.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment (No. 20) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 22) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 9, at the end, to insert the words " shall, at the request of the parent, provide all the relevant information on which the proposed statement was made ".—(Mr. John Hannam.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 28 and 29) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 15, after the first word " schools ", to insert the words " other than schools specially provided for patients attending a psychiatric hospital ".—(Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 35) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 20, at the end, to insert the words—

" (5) Provision shall be made in the regulations to secure that—

(a) the composition of the governing bodies of non-maintained special schools shall conform, as far as is practicable, to the requirements of subsections 6, 7 and 8 of section 2 of the Education Act 1980;

(b) each non-maintained special school shall have its own and separate governing body ".—(Mr. John Hannam.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 42 to 45) 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, at this day's sitting, the Education Bill and the consideration of Lords Amendments to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Education Bill.—The Question being again proposed, That the Education Bill be now read the third time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

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

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

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 3, in page 16, line 12, leave out from “ duty ” to end of line 19.

An Amendment was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 1, at the end, to insert the words “ and insert ” and for this purpose each local planning authority shall designate one of its officers to act as liaison officer and co-ordinator in the area of that authority on all matters involving access for disabled people to buildings and other facilities and the application of the British Standards Institute Code of Practice on Access for the Disabled to Buildings BS 5810: 1979, or such other code or codes as the Secretary of State may prescribe ".—(Mr. John Home Robertson.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Gordon Wilson, Mr. Russell Johnston: 10.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Carol Mather: 63.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 4 to 10 were agreed to.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;
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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 twenty-one minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.21 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 10th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 26th May 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the Civil Aviation Authority [by Act].

New Towns (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 26th May 1981 on loans raised by—

(1) the East Kilbride Development Corporation,
(2) the Glenrothes Development Corporation,
(3) the Irvine Development Corporation, and
(4) the Livingston Development Corporation [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 32, 1981),—Copy of International Labour Convention No. 150, on labour administration: role, functions and organisation, adopted by the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation at Geneva on 27th June 1978 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8251].

Treaty Series (No. 33, 1981),—Copy of International Labour Convention No. 151, on protection of the right to organise and procedures for determining conditions of employment in public service, adopted by the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation at Geneva on 27th June 1978 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8252].

Treaty Series (No. 35, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Colombo on 14th January 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, on the extension to Hong Kong of the Agreement for the promotion and protection of investments signed at Colombo on 13th February 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8253].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence,—Copy of Government Observations on the First Report from the Defence Committee, Session 1980-81, on RAF pilot training [by Command] [Cmnd. 8265].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Civil Aviation,—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd June 1981, entitled the Civil Aviation (Canadian Navigation Services) (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 803) [by Act].

Civil Aviation,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Public Health,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th August 1979, entitled the Redcar-Marske-Saltburn Compulsory Purchase Order 1979; 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. Peter Walker:

Medicines,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st June 1981, entitled the Medicines (Exemptions from Restrictions on the Retail Sale or Supply of Veterinary Drugs) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 795) [by Act].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. Vivian Bendall, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Geoffrey Dickens, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. David Ginsburg, Mr. George Grant, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Michael Spicer, and Mr. Robert Taylor.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. John Blackburn, Mr. R. C. Brown, Mr. Michael Colvin, Mr. Stan Crowther, Mr. John Forrester, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Roy Hughes, Mr. John Lee, Mr. John MacGregor, Mr. Robert Parry, Mr. Raymond Powell, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. Kenneth Warren, Mr. Keith Wickenden, Mr. Nicholas Winterton, and Mr. David Young.

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. John Wells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].

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

PRAYERS.

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 Thursday 18th June.

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

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:


Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 361].

Defence.—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36241].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 11th June.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 36041].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on the Great Yarmouth Borough Council with respect to the registration of premises used for the sale of certain articles by way of competitive bidding; to make provision with respect to certain lands on the West bank of the river Yare in the borough; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords]].

Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill to be considered upon Friday 19th June; and to be printed [Bill 154].

Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Supply [19th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Damaging Effects of Government Policies on the Rights, Status and Opportunities of Women.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the deliberate attacks of Her Majesty's Government on the status and opportunities of women which have undermined advances such as paid maternity leave and protection from dismissal because of pregnancy; deplores the restrictive decisions on the payment of social security benefit; further condemns Her Majesty's Government for its cuts in local authority finance, particularly for the social services and the provision of child care facilities and adequate school meals; condemns the divisive effects of immigration rules which discriminate against British women who wish to be joined by foreign husbands or fiancés; demands recognition of a woman's right to work and condemns Government economic policies which have deprived women of jobs at an even faster rate than men; pledges its support for positive policies towards equality, including improved education and training programmes; considers that the attacks on the National Health Service have directly and adversely affected women, from ante-natal to geriatric care, and demands the provision of proper health facilities such as cervical screening and birth control and abortion clinics; and calls for radical changes to improve the Sex Discrimination and Equal Pay Acts so as to promote genuine equal opportunities and fair remuneration, and for the removal of all forms of discrimination in taxation and pay, thus enabling women to play their full part in society (Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House, recognising that the needs and aspirations of women can only be achieved within a free and fair society and a healthy economy, welcomes the measures which the Government has taken to achieve these", instead thereof. (Mrs. Sally Oppenheim.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. George Morton: 108.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 168.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, recognising that the needs and aspirations of women can only be achieved within a free and fair society and a healthy economy, welcomes the measures which the Government has taken to achieve these.

Environmental Impact Assessment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73B (Standing Committees on European Community Documents), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 7972/80 on the environmental assessment of projects; and welcomes the Government's policy of encouraging environmental assessment within the general principles of the existing law (Mr. John Cope):—It was agreed to.

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

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 11th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 30, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Brussels on 20th November 1980, between the European Economic Community and the People's Republic of Bangladesh on trade in jute products [by Command] [Cmnd. 8256].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Urban Development.—Copies of Orders, dated 9th June 1981, entitled—

(1) the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Newham London Borough Council) Order 1981, and
(2) the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Southwark London Borough Council) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:

Law Commissions.—Copy of a Report of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission on the consolidation of the Trustee Savings Banks Acts 1969 to 1978 (Trustee Savings Banks Bill) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8257].

[No. 119.]

Friday, 12th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for increased deterrents against crimes of violence, rape and abduction 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).

Representation of the People Bill.—Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, supported by Mr. Francis Pym, Mr. Secretary Younger, Mr. Secretary Edwards, Mr. Secretary Atkins, and Mr. Patrick Mayhew, presented a Bill to disqualify certain persons for election to the House of Commons; to make changes in the timetable for parliamentary elections; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed [Bill 153].

Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Qualified premises)—(Mr. Ted Graham)—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. 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 17, to leave out the word "district" and insert the word "county", instead thereof.—(Mr. Michael Colvin).

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. T. H. H. Skeet, Mr. K. Harvey Proctor: 7.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Blackburn, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 43.

Other Amendments (Nos. 8, 19, 24, 28 and 29) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 41, after the word "animals", to insert the words "and is prohibited by the court which convicted him from keeping animals".—(Mr. Michael Colvin.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 43, 48 to 50, 57, 58, 68, 69, 74, 76 to 78, and 81 to 84) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 86) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 31, to leave out from the word "improvements" to the word "and" in line 33.—(Mr. Michael Colvin.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 87, 89, 99, 102, 106, 108, 110 to 112, 116, 117, 119, 123, 126, 130, and 145) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 149) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, to leave out lines 33 and 34 and insert the words—

"(6) A person aggrieved by a decision of a magistrates' court or the sheriff, as the case may be, under the foregoing provisions of this section may by notice under this section appeal to the Secretary of State and the provisions of section 36 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and section 33 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972, as the case may be, shall, with any necessary adaptions and modifications, apply to any such appeal as if references in the said sections to applications for planning permission were references to applications for a licence under this Act ", instead thereof.—(Mr. Michael Colvin.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 151, 152, 154, 156, 158 to 162 and 164) 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 half-past Two o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded to interrupt the business.

Whereupon Mr. Ted Graham 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:—It was agreed to.

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

Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Matrimonial Homes and Property Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 10 agreed to.

Schedules 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Ivan Lawrence 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.

Tobacco Products (Control of Advertisign, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Friday 19th June.

Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vagrancy Offences (Repeal) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 19th June.

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

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

[Adjourned at 2.58 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Friday 12th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—

(1) carpets,
(2) electronic computers,
(3) fur,
(4) general printing and publishing,
(5) mineral oil refining,
(6) pottery,
(7) printing, publishing of newspapers and periodicals,
(8) sports equipment,
(9) synthetic resins and plastics materials and synthetic rubber, and
(10) warp knitting

[by Act].


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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Home Secretary on the Petition [14th May] from British citizens resident in Belgium for amendment of the British Nationality Bill [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairman of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Harry Gourlay Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Estimates referred to the Committee and Mr. Barry Henderson an additional Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Estimates, Class XV, Votes 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9, referred to the Committee.

[No. 120.]

Monday, 15th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

South Yorkshire Bill.—The South Yorkshire Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 367-i].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 364].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 348-ii].
Education, Science and Arts,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee.—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

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

The Lords have agreed to the Insurance Companies Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Education, Science and Arts,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Insurance Companies Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Insurance Companies Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 155].

Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 156].

Co-ownership of Flats Bill,—Ordered, That the Co-ownership of Flats Bill be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Supply [20th 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. John Cope);

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

Food Aid Management.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 4318/79 (amended Commission proposal for a Regulation on Food Aid Management) and 9175/80 (draft Resolution on the use of Community food aid and draft Regulation laying down general rules for the supply of products other than cereals, skimmed milk powder or butteroil to certain developing countries and specialised bodies) and of the updated explanatory memoranda of 5th June; and endorses the Government's intention to work for the early adoption of a Regulation on Food Aid Management, on the lines set out in the explanatory memoranda, and urgently to encourage greater reinforcement by the Community's Food Aid programmes of efforts by developing country recipients to improve their own food and agriculture production—(Mr. Neil Marten);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 11, at the end, to add the words "but considers that aid expenditure on all items of food which are in surplus within the European Economic Community should be a charge on the costs of the Common Agricultural Policy and not charged against aid funds".—(Mr. Nigel Spearing.)

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

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Questions necessary for the disposal of the proceedings, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business).

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

And the Main Question being put:

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 4318/79 (amended Commission proposal for a Regulation on Food Aid Management) and 9175/80 (draft Resolution on the use of Community food aid and draft Regulation laying down general rules for the supply of products other than cereals, skimmed milk powder or butteroil to certain developing countries and specialised bodies) and of the updated explanatory memoranda of 5th June; and endorses the Government's intention to work for the early adoption of a Regulation on Food Aid Management, on the lines set out in the explanatory memoranda, and urgently to encourage greater reinforcement by the Community's Food Aid programmes of efforts by developing country recipients to improve their own food and agriculture production.
Terms and Conditions of Employment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Job Release Act 1977 (Continuation) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th May, be approved—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

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

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

Adjourned at 12 midnight.

APPENDIX

Monday 15th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 2nd June 1981,
(2) 3rd June 1981,
(3) 4th June 1981, and
(4) 5th June 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Charities,—Copy of the Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 332].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Social Security,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements and Resources) Amendment Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) abrasives,
(2) ball, roller, plain and other bearings,
(3) electric lamps, electric light fittings, wiring accessories, etc.,
(4) fruit and vegetable products,
(5) gloves,
(6) metal furniture,
(7) miscellaneous manufacturing industries,
(8) miscellaneous metal manufacture,
(9) motor vehicle manufacturing,
(10) organic chemicals,
(11) paint,
(12) shipbuilding and marine engineering,
(13) toys, games and children’s carriages, and
(14) wire and wire manufactures
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Highways,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th July 1980, entitled the Dyfed County Council (Llanelli-Hendy Link Road) Compulsory Purchase Order 1980; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Wales under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Northern Ireland,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Northern Ireland Act 1974 (Interim Period Extension) Order 1981, and
(2) the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 (Continuance) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Mr. Peter Walker:

[No. 121.]
Tuesday, 16th June, 1981.

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 thereto, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:
United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].
Bill to be read a second time.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill,—Ordered, That the British Railways (No. 2) Bill be considered upon Thursday.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table; and a Paper was withdrawn (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 16th June and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Twenty-fourth Report).
Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxvii].
Minutes of Evidence, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxviii].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th June.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 352-ii].

Environment,—Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann reported from the Environment 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [Council House Sales].
Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 366].
Minutes of Proceedings relating to the Report to be printed [No. 366].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twentieth Report).
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxi].
Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—Mr. Barry Henderson reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, that they had gone through the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 158].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 369].

Consumer Credit Act 1974 (Amendment) Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Consumer Credit Act 1974 (Amendment) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Camden) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 666) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Welsh Affairs.—Ordered, That the matter of rural affairs in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for their consideration. —(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motions relating to Scotland, Scottish Grand Committee, Scottish Estimates, Matters relating exclusively to Scotland, and Procedure in Standing Committees, may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Midnight or three hours after they have been entered upon, whichever is the later, and that if proceedings on the Motions have not been disposed of by that hour, any Amendments to the first Motion, which have been selected by Mr. Speaker, may be moved and the Questions thereon shall be put forthwith, and Mr. Speaker shall then proceed to put forthwith the Question upon the said Motion and any Questions necessary to dispose of the other Motions and of any Amendments moved thereto which have been selected by him.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Rating System (Abolition).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision in connection with the abolition of the rating system, including water and sewerage rates; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, Sir Derek Walker-Smith, Sir Graham Page, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Teddy Taylor, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Jonathan Aitken, Mr. James Hill, Mr. Christopher Murphy, Mr. Richard Shepherd, and Mr. James Pawsey, do prepare and bring it in.

Rating System (Abolition) Bill.—Mr. Peter Temple-Morris accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision in connection with the abolition of the rating system, including water and sewerage rates; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July and to be printed [Bill 157].

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Use of tape recorders (No. 2))—(Mr. Peter Archer)—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. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Hamilton: 96.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. John Cope: 150.

Another Clause (Disclosure following discovery)—(Mr. John 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. Frank R. White, Mr. James Tinn: 80.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscauwen, Mr. Selwyn Gummer: 136.

An Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 8, at the end, to insert the words “or does not know of and has no reason to suspect the existence of any fact or facts by reason whereby that rule applies to the matter in question.”—(Mr. Peter Archer.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 18 to 21) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 29, to leave out from the beginning to the end of line 12 on page 4 and insert the words—

“(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3) below, it is contempt of court to obtain, disclose or solicit any particulars of statements made, opinions expressed, arguments advanced or votes cast by members of a jury in the course of their deliberations in any legal proceedings.

(2) This section does not apply where any such particulars are obtained, disclosed or solicited with intent that they should be published and—

(a) the publication does not identify the particular proceedings in which the deliberations of the jury took place or the names of particular jurors, and does not enable such matters to be identified; and

(b) the consent of the Attorney General to the publication has been obtained before any such particulars are solicited.

(3) This section does not apply to any disclosure of any such particulars—

(a) in the proceedings in question for the purpose of enabling the jury to arrive at their verdict, or in connection with the delivery of that verdict; or

(b) in any appeal from the verdict of the jury in the proceedings in question; or

(c) in evidence in any subsequent proceedings for an offence alleged to have been committed in relation to the jury in the first mentioned proceedings,” instead thereof.—(Mr. Edward Gardner.)

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, at this day's sitting, the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 14) be made:—Debate resumed.

Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. Edward Gardner: 72.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Carol Mather: 126.

Another Amendment (No. 22) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 25, to leave out from the word “fit” to the word “impose” in line 26.—(Mr. John Morris.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 23 to 27) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 12) proposed to the Bill, in page 12, line 40, to leave out the words “set down” and insert the words “included in a list of cases which shall be kept by the proper officer and available for public inspection of cases which it is anticipated will be heard within the ensuing period of three weeks,”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Peter Archer.)
Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 12, line 47, to leave out the words "Record is closed", and insert the words "petition, summons or initial writ is served", instead thereof.-(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Scotland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the Report of an Inter-Party Group on the Government of Scotland—(Mr. Francis Pym);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning:

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The Question was amended, in line 2, at the end, by adding the words "and considers it desirable that the Scottish Grand Committee should for an experimental period be enabled to hold sittings in Edinburgh from time to time".—(Mr. Peter Fraser.)

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Report of an Inter-Party Group on the Government of Scotland and considers it desirable that the Scottish Grand Committee should for an experimental period be enabled to hold sittings in Edinburgh from time to time.

And it being three hours after the commencement of proceedings, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order this day, to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the Motions relating to Scottish Grand Committee, Scottish Estimates, Matters relating exclusively to Scotland and Procedure in Standing Committees.

Scottish Grand Committee.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, from the beginning of next Session, Standing Order No. 68 (Scottish Grand Committee) be amended, in line 20, by leaving out from "constituencies" to the end of the paragraph and adding "of whom a quorum shall be ten.";

That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Francis Pym);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out the words "from the beginning of next Session".—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. James Tinn: 46.


So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That, from the beginning of next Session, Standing Order No. 68 (Scottish Grand Committee) be amended, in line 20, by leaving out from "constituencies" to the end of the paragraph and adding "of whom a quorum shall be ten".

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.

Scottish Estimates.—Ordered, That, from the beginning of next Session, Standing Order No. 70 (Scottish estimates) be amended, in line 7, by leaving out "more" and inserting "less".

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Matters relating exclusively to Scotland.—Ordered, That, from the beginning of next Session, Standing Order No. 71 (Matters relating exclusively to Scotland) be amended, in line 15, by leaving out "two" and inserting "six".

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Procedure in Standing Committees.—Ordered, That, from the beginning of next Session, Standing Order No. 65 (Procedure in Standing Committees) be amended, in line 1, by inserting at the beginning "Except as provided in Standing Order No. 68 (Scottish Grand Committee)".

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)
Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes past Two o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.18 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 16th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Malaysia (No. 1, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 21st May 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Malaysia for the promotion and protection of investments (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8269].

Treaty Series (No. 36, 1981),—Copy of a Convention, signed at London on 8th September 1978, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Canada for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains, with an amending Protocol signed at Ottawa on 15th April 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8261].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Succession (Scotland),—Copies of Orders, dated 29th May 1981, entitled—
(1) the Interest on Prior Rights (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 805), and
(2) the Prior Rights of Surviving Spouse (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 806)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:
Education,—Copy of an Interim Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the Education of Children from Ethnic Minority Groups, entitled West Indian Children in our Schools [by Command] [Cmnd. 8273].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Employment Protection,—Copy of the Report of the Certification Officer for trade unions and employers' associations for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biggen:
Protection of Wrecks,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th June 1981, entitled the Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 1) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 827) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) cement,
(2) food and drink processing machinery and packaging and bottling machinery,
(3) industrial engines,
(4) lace,
(5) metal hollow-ware,
(6) miscellaneous base metals,
(7) office machinery,
(8) precision chains and other mechanical engineering,
(9) rope, twine and net,
(10) starch and miscellaneous foods,
(11) stone and slate quarrying and mining,
(12) tobacco, and
(13) water supply
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copies of Orders, dated—
(1) 21st May 1981, entitled the Poole Harbour Revision Order 1981,
(2) 1st June 1981, entitled the Brightlingsea Harbour Revision Order 1981, and
(3) 4th June 1981, entitled the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1981,
with Certificates by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].
Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Bus Company for 1980 [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 withdrawn and Order to lie upon the Table discharged:

Housing (Scotland).—Housing (Standard Amenities Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 637) [laid 1st June].

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. John Wells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords]; and Mr. Barry Henderson an additional Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Estimates, Class XV, Vote 7.

[No. 122.]

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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.:

Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

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

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 Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, 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 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. 371].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 371].

European Legislation, &c,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-sixth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxvii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxvii].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 356-ii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 370-ii].
Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, 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) [Dispersal of Civil Service Jobs to Scotland: The Government's Reply to the Committee’s First Report]. Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 347].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 17th June. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 344-iii and 174-xii].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 17th June. Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 360-ii].

Supreme Court Bill [Lords].—Mr. David Watkins reported from Standing Committee B, that they had gone through the Supreme Court Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereto. Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 161]. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 372].

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

The Lords have agreed to the British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for the transfer to the State of New South Wales in the Commonwealth of Australia of the incorporation of the Wallerawang Collieries, Limited; for the cesser of application to that Company of provisions of the Companies Acts 1948 to 1980; and for other purposes incidental thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords]].

Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords].—The Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Minimum Housing Standards Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 19th June, the Minimum Housing Standards Bill was read and discharged. Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Residential Homes Act 1980 (Amendment).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the provisions of the Residential Homes Act 1980: And that Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. George Foulkes, Mr. Stephen Ross, and Mr. Michael Welsh, do prepare and bring it in.

Residential Homes Act 1980 (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Richard Alexander accordingly presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Residential Homes Act 1980: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July and to be printed [Bill 160].

Supply [21st allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Monopolies Commission Report on Domestic Gas Appliances.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House believes that in the interests of consumer safety and service the British Gas Corporation should not be forced to end or curtail the selling and servicing of gas appliances or to dispose of its gas showrooms—(Mr. John Smith).

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “ That ” to the end of the Question and add the words “ this House welcomes the fact that the Government, recognising the serious adverse public interest findings in the Monopolies and Mergers Commission’s Report on the supply of domestic gas appliances, and the need to strengthen competition, has accepted its responsibility for examining thoroughly ways of producing the most effective remedy, while maintaining safety standards, availability of supplies and adequate services to consumers”, instead thereof.—(Mrs. Sally Oppenheim.)
And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn: 228.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 283.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith
pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the fact that the Government, recognising the
serious adverse public interest findings in the Monopolies and Mergers Commission's
Report on the supply of domestic gas appliances, and the need to strengthen com-
petition, has accepted its responsibility for examining thoroughly ways of producing
the most effective remedy, while maintaining safety standards, availability of supplies
and adequate services to consumers.

Armitage Report on Lorries, People and the Environment,—Resolved, That this
House, conscious of the problems caused by existing heavy lorries, is opposed to the
Armitage recommendation of 44 tonne lorries.—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Town and Country Planning
(Minerals) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr.
Carol Mather.)

Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order,
proceeded to consider the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords], as
amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 5) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 27, to leave out
paragraph (e) and insert the words—

"(e) to any planning permission granted for development consisting of the winning
and working of minerals", instead thereof.—(Mr. T. H. H. Skeet.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

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Other Amendments (Nos. 7 to 12) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 13) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 37, after the word
"land", to insert the words "on or after the appointed day; but".—(Mr. Gordon
Oakes.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 14) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 26, to leave out
the word "five" and insert the word "ten", instead thereof.—(Mr. Richard Alexander.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, with-
drawn.

Another Amendment (No. 17) proposed to the Bill, in page 23, line 41, to leave out
"10" and insert "20", instead thereof.—(Mr. Gordon Oakes.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived

Other Amendments (Nos. 18 to 34) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

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

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

[Adjourned at 1.23 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 17th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Leon Brittan:

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of Government Observations
on the Fourth Report from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner
for Administration, Session 1979-80 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8274].
Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Electricity,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
(1) 15th June 1981, and
(2) 15th June 1981
on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Police (Metropolis),—Copy of the Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8254].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Prisons,—Draft of Rules, entitled the Prisons (Scotland) (Amendment) Rules 1981 [by Act].
Young Offenders Institutions,—Draft of Rules, entitled the Young Offenders (Scotland) (Amendment) Rules 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) biscuits,
(2) engineers' small tools and gauges,
(3) footwear,
(4) hosiery and other knitted goods,
(5) production of man-made fibres, and
(6) textile finishing
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Appropriation (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Port of London Authority for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:
Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Oxford on 27th March 1981 amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Three Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Rural affairs in Wales, viz.: Mr. Eric Cockeram, Mr. John Cope, and Mr. Tristan Garel-Jones.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Michael Brotherton, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Adam Butler, Dr. John Cunningham, Mr. W. E. Garrett, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Geoffrey Lofthouse, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. David Mudd, Mr. Tom Pendry, Mr. William Ross, Mr. Allan Stewart, Mr. Malcolm Thornton, Sir Patrick Wall, Mr. Kenneth Warren, and Mr. Michael Welsh.
Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Gipsy Encampment (Designation of the London Borough of Camden) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Tom Benyon, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. John Carlisle, Mr. Alan Clark, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Frank Dobson, Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. John Major, Mr. Ian Mikardo, Mr. Hector Monro, Mr. Michael O'Halloran, Mr. Tim Sainsbury, and Mr. A. W. Stallard.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Andrew Bowden, Mr. R. B. Cant, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. R. B. Cant, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Mr. John Forrester, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Barry Jones, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. John McWilliam, Mr. David Madel, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. Peter Morrison, Mr. Richard Needham, Mr. Ernie Roberts, Mr. Fred Silvester, Mr. James White, and Mr. Ray Whitney.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, the draft Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Richard Alexander, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Geoffrey Dickens, Mr. Peter Emery, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. David Ginsburg, Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. Barry Sheerman, Mr. Tom Torney, Mr. David Trippier, Mr. Gary Waller, and Mr. Ken Woolmer.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981, viz.: Mr. Robert Adley, Mr. Robert Atkins, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Dan Jones, Mr. David Lamont, Mr. Michael McGuire, Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. Robert Parry, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. John Wilkinson, and Mr. David Young.

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Camden) Order 1981 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the draft Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, the draft Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 123]

Thursday, 18th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 23rd June.

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 Tuesday 23rd June.
Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Defence.—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 18th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 362] [i.e., ii].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Bill, without Amendment.

Members’ Salaries.—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 Members’ Salaries.—(Mr. Peter Thomas.)

Greater London Council (Abolition) Bill.—Mr. John Wheeler, supported by Mr. Neil Thorne, Mr. John Hunt, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr. Nicholas Scott, Mr. Harry Greenway, and Mr. Christopher Murphy, presented a Bill to give effect to the abolition of the Greater London Council; to set up a commission to apportion the remaining responsibilities among the London boroughs and other authorities; and to provide a statutory basis for the London Boroughs Association; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July and to be printed [Bill 159].

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

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 Thompson):—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 18th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

European Communities (No. 32, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria, on the import into the Community of preserved fruit salads originating in Algeria [by Command] [Cmnd. 8264].

European Communities (No. 36, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria, on the importation into the Community of tomato concentrates originating in Algeria [by Command] [Cmnd. 8263].

European Communities (No. 37, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980, relating to Article 9 of Protocol No. 1 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the State of Israel on the importation into the Community of preserved fruit salads originating in Israel (1981) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8262].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1978: summary tables [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Highways,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd November 1979, entitled the Greater London Council (Rochester Way Relief Road, Greenwich) Compulsory Purchase Order 1979; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:

European Communities,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 10th June 1981, entitled the European Communities (Designation) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 833) [by Act].


Merchant Shipping,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 10th June 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution) (Intervention) (Bermuda) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 836) [by Act].

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

Trustee Savings Banks,—Copy of the Accounts of the Fund for the Banks for Savings for the year ended 20th November 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 373].

Friday, 19th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

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

Members' Salaries,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Boyle of Handsworth to attend to be examined as a witness before the Select Committee on Members' Salaries, if his Lordship think fit.

Belize Bill,—Sir Ian Gilmour, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, Mr. Secretary Nott, Mr. Douglas Hurd, Mr. Nicholas Ridley, and Mr. Neil Marten, presented a Bill to make provision for, and in connection with, the attainment by Belize of independence within the Commonwealth: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 22nd June and to be printed [Bill 162].

Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 2, and 4 to 6) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Edward Gardner reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Imprisonment of Prostitutes (Abolition) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imprisonment of Prostitutes (Abolition) 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 half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 10th July.

Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Businesses (Ministerial and Other Functions) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon 15th May, That the British North America Act 1867 (Amendment) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 10th July.

Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Friday 10th July.

Environment,—Ordered, That Mr. Geoffrey Johnson Smith be discharged from the Environment Committee and Mr. Robert Dunn be added to the Committee.—(Sir Albert Costain, on behalf of the Committee of Selection.)

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

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

Adjourned at 2.58 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 19th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 8th June 1981,
(2) 9th June 1981,
(3) 11th June 1981, and
(4) 12th June 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Friday 19th June 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Dr. Ior Davies Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Rural affairs in Wales; Mr. J. D. Spence Chairman of the First
Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981; Mr. Victor Goodhew Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981; Miss Betty Boothroyd Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Camden) Order 1981; Miss Janet Fookes Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981; Sir Albert Costain Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, the draft Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981 and the draft Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981; and Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981.

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 Robert George Taylor, Esquire, Member for Croydon North West, 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 or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed; and several Papers were withdrawn (see Appendix I).

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-xii].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 22nd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 259-v].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 376-i].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-x].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 348-iii].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., be discharged from considering the draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, the draft Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, and the draft Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981.

Representation of the People Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People 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. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 248.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Alfred Dubs: 137.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Committee to-morrow.

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

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

[Adjourned at 10.41 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Monday 22nd June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:
Capital Transfer Tax,—Copies of Regulations, dated 22nd June 1981, entitled—
(1) the Capital Transfer Tax (Delivery of Accounts) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 880), and
(2) the Capital Transfer Tax (Delivery of Accounts) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 881)
[by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:
International Immunities and Privileges,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—
(1) the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981, and
(2) the European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Town and Country Planning (Scotland),—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 3rd June 1981, entitled the Town and Country Planning (General Development) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 830), and
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Export Guarantees,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981, and
(2) the Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Offshore Installations.—Copies of Orders, dated 18th June 1981, entitled—

(1) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 7) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 869),
(2) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 8) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 870),
(3) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 9) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 871),
(4) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 10) Order 1981, S.I., 1981, No. 872), and
(5) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 11) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 873)

[by Act].

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

Co-operative Development Agency.—Copy of the Account of the Co-operative Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1981; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 375].

Papers withdrawn and Orders to lie upon the Table discharged:

Industrial Organisation and Development,—

(1) the Draft Hosiery and Knitwear Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981,
(2) the Draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981, and
(3) the Draft Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order 1981

[laid 9th June].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Mr. Tim Eggar to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. John Fraser (nominated in respect of the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Clinton Davis.

MEMORANDUM

Monday 22nd June 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Sir Albert Costain Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981, in place of Mr. Michael English.

[No. 126.]

Tuesday, 23rd June, 1981.

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.:

Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.
British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendment to the British Railways (Pension Schemes) Bill; and the same was agreed to.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].—The United Reformed Church Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—The Greater London Council (Money) Bill was, according to Order, 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).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-fifth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xxxix].

Environment.—Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann reported from the Environment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 383-i].

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Special Standing Committee on the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 163].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 377].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Victor Goodhew reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 and the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 16th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 380].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Miss Betty Boothroyd reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Camden) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 16th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 379].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Whitehaven Harbour Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Energy.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Balogh to attend to be examined as a witness before the Energy Committee. (Mr. Ian Lloyd.)

Scottish Affairs.—Ordered, That the matter of the Recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry into Local Government in Scotland (the Stodart Committee), being a matter relating exclusively to Scotland, be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee for their consideration. (Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

Local Government Act 1972 (Amendment).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1972 so as to permit employees of a local authority to stand for elections to such authorities: And that Mr. Reg Race, Mr. Norman Hogg, Dr. David Clark, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. Allan Roberts, and Mr. Alfred Dubs, do prepare and bring it in.
Local Government Act 1972 (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Reg Race accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1972 so as to permit employees of a local authority to stand for elections to such authorities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July and to be printed [Bill 164].

Supply [22nd 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. Spencer Le Marchant):

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. Carol Mather.)

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

Tuesday 23rd June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Treaty Series (No. 42, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, open for signature at Geneva from 1st September 1970 to 31st May 1971, on the international carriage of perishable foodstuffs and on the special equipment to be used for such carriage (APT) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8272].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Ancient and Historical Monuments.—Copy of the Report of the Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 341].

Solicitors (Scotland).—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Lay Observer for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 342].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Pensions.—Copy of a Report of the Occupational Pensions Board on improved protection for the occupational pension rights and expectations of early leavers [by Command] [Cmnd. 8271].

Health Services.—Copy of the Account of the Health Services Board for the period 1st April 1979 to 8th August 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8248].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Industrial Organisation and Development.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Furniture Development Council (Dissolution) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Northern Ireland.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Industrial Investment (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [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 Anglesey Marine Terminal Revision Order 1981 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Wednesday, 24th June, 1981.

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).

Humberside Bill [Lords],—Mr. David Knox reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Humberside Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Northumbrian Water Authority Bill,—Mr. David Knox reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Northumbrian Water Authority Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to confer powers on the Northumbrian Water Authority for the performance of their functions under the Water Act 1973; to authorise the sale of electricity generated at Kielder Water; to make provision with respect to exceptions from licensing control under the Water Resources Act 1963; to apply provisions of the Third Schedule to the Water Act 1945 to the water undertaking of the Authority; to extend section 129 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 in relation to the sewerage and sewage disposal functions of the Authority; and for other purposes.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords],—Mr. David Knox reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Peterborough Development Corporation 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.

Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords],—Mr. David Knox reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-seventh Report).

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxvii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxvii].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 356-iii].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport,—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 344-iv and 174-xiii].

Northern Ireland Committee,—Dr. Edmund Marshall reported from the Northern Ireland Committee, That they had considered the matters of housing conditions in Northern Ireland and grants for improvement (intermediate and repair), together with proposals for a draft Housing (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order, referred to them on 19th May, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 391].
Welsh Grand Committee.—Dr. Ifor Davies reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That they had considered the matter of rural affairs in Wales, referred to them on 16th June, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 389].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. John Spence reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 4th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 386].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Miss Janet Fookes reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 16th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 390].

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Albert Costain reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 4th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 387].

Rating (Business Premises Relief).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to grant partial relief from rates in the case of industrial and commercial hereditaments; to make further provision in respect of rating relief for industrial and commercial hereditaments in partial beneficial use; to extend the statutory rights of non-domestic ratepayers to pay rates by instalments; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. John Heddle, Sir Hugh Fraser, Sir Graham Page, Mr. Maurice Macmillan, Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Michael Latham, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. Sydney Chapman, Mr. Keith Wickenden, and Mr. Christopher Murphy, do prepare and bring it in.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 166].

Unemployment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, deeply concerned at the hardship resulting from high levels of unemployment, supports the measures already taken to provide special assistance for those worst affected; and believes that increasing prosperity and employment can only be achieved on a permanent basis by defeating inflation and creating conditions in which British enterprise competes successfully at home and abroad (Mr. Secretary Prior);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “condemns Her Majesty’s Government for pursuing economic policies which have destroyed great sections of British industry and spread mass unemployment on a scale unprecedented in the last fifty years”, instead thereof. (Mr. Eric G. Varley.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Hamilton: 249.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 311.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 306.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. James Hamilton: 248.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, deeply concerned at the hardship resulting from high levels of unemployment, supports the measures already taken to provide special assistance for those worst affected; and believes that increasing prosperity and employment can only be achieved on a permanent basis by defeating inflation and creating conditions in which British enterprise competes successfully at home and abroad.
Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Road Traffic (Car-sharing Arrangements) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 28th April, be approved.—(Mr. David Mitchell.)

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Robert Boscawen):—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 fifteen minutes to Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.45 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 24th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Associated States,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Antigua Termination of Association Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Electricity (Scotland),—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—

(1) the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board, and
(2) the South of Scotland Electricity Board

for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industrial Development,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Co-operative Development Agency (Grants) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Waterways Board for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Commissioner for Complaints (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Report of the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 351].

Parliamentary Commissioner (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Report of the Northern Ireland Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 350].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Highways,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th July 1978, entitled the Surrey County Council Highways (No. 4) Reigate Road (A240) Banstead Compulsory Purchase Order 1978 ; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Francis Pym:


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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the Petition [1st May] from residents of Rugby and surrounding areas for the establishment of a Rugby District Area Health Authority [by Standing Order]; to be printed.
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Scottish Grand Committee,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Twelve Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry into Local Government in Scotland (the Stodart Committee), viz.: Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Mr. Tim Brinton, Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne, Mr. Peter Fry, Mr. Warren Hawksley, Mr. Charles Irving, Mr. Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Mr. David Madel, Mr. Hal Miller, Mr. James Pawsey, Mr. Peter Rost, and Mr. John Watson.

[No. 128.]

Thursday, 25th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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, so 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.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 24th June.

   Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-xiii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 (Eleventh Report) [Matters relating to the Housing Corporation].

   Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 328].

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 328].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Twelfth Report) [Matters relating to H. M. Inland Revenue].

   Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 318].

   Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 318].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 25th June.

   Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 360-iii].

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

   The Lords have agreed to the British Telecommunications Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

   The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Milford Docks Company to raise additional capital; to confer further powers on the Company; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Milford Docks Bill [Lords]].

   Energy,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Balogh to attend to be examined as a witness before the Energy Committee, if his Lordship think fit.
Education, Science and Arts.—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Earl of Harewood to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee.—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

British Telecommunications Bill.—Lords Amendments to the British Telecommunications Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 165].

Milford Docks Bill [Lords].—The Milford Docks Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Fisheries Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Fisheries Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 12 were agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 13 to 15 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 16 to 25 were agreed to.

Representation of the People Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Representation of the People Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Disqualification of certain offenders for membership of the House of Commons).

Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 1, line 5, to leave out the words “whether before or”.—(Mr. David Winnick.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 1, line 6, to leave out the words “and whether in the United Kingdom or elsewhere” and insert the words “in the United Kingdom”—(Mr. Kevin McNamara.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed, in page 1, line 8, to leave out the words “one year” and insert the words “five years”—(Mr. Edward Lyons.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 8) proposed, in page 1, line 10, to leave out the words “United Kingdom” and insert the words “British Islands or the Republic of Ireland”.—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Carol Mather: 164.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. David Winnick: 38.

Another Amendment (No. 12) proposed, in page 1, line 12, at the end, to add the words—

“A person shall not be disqualified under this section until after the determination by any competent court of appeal in the United Kingdom or elsewhere in the British Isles or in the Republic of Ireland of any appeal made by any such person against any conviction or sentence as is mentioned above.”—(Mr. Douglas Hogg.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. David Winnick: 53.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 137.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 151.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. David Winnick: 45.

Clause No. 2 (Effects of disqualification).
Amendment (No. 14) proposed, in page 1, line 15, to leave out from the word “void” to the end of line 16.—(Mr. Kevin McNamara.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. David Winnick: 41.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 150.

Another Amendment (No. 16) proposed, in page 2, line 2, at the end, to add the words—

“(3) If in a case covered by subsection 2 of this section it appears to the House of Commons that the circumstances are such that it is not proper for the Member to be disqualified and his seat to be voided the House may by order direct that any such disqualification shall be disregarded for such period as the order may provide; and any such order shall be subject to cancellation or amendment by subsequent order of the House.”.—(Mr. Kevin McNamara.)

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. Peter Brooke 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, at this day’s sitting, the Representation of the People Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Representation of the People Bill.—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Representation of the People Bill.

Clauses Nos. 3 and 4 agreed to.

A Clause (Duration of Act) (Mr. David Winnick) brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 144.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. David Winnick: 36.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Great Britain) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 1st June, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.
Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments Scheme) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 2nd June, be approved—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

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

[Adjourned at 11.32 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 25th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 15th June 1981, and
(2) 18th June 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:
European Communities (No. 31, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980, relating to Article 8 of the Supplementary Protocol to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic [by Command] [Cmnd. 8267].

Treaty Series (No. 38, 1981).—Copy of a Convention, signed at The Hague on 7th November 1980, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains [by Command] [Cmnd. 8268].

Mr. Secretary Nott:
Defence,—Copy of a Paper, entitled the United Kingdom Defence Programme: the Way Forward [by Command] [Cmnd. 8288].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Policyholders Protection,—Copy of the Report on the Policyholders Protection Act 1975 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 363].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Industrial Organisation and Development,—Copy of the Accounts of the British Cast Iron Research Association for the year ended 30th June 1980 [by Act].

Friday, 26th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Warrington 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 the present Parliament for the Borough Constituency of Warrington, in the room of Sir William Thomas Williams, Q.C., who since his election for the said Borough Constituency hath accepted the Office of Circuit Judge.—(Mr. Michael Cocks.)

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one 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 Horserace Betting Levy Bill, without Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Licensing (Alcohol Education and Research) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Education, Science and Arts,—The Lords give leave to the Earl of Harewood to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

House of Commons Disqualification (Amendment) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 10th July, the House of Commons Disqualification (Amendment) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

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

And it being half-past Two 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. Anthony Berry):—Debate arising;

And the Question having been proposed at half-past Two 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 Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3 p.m.]

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APPENDIX

Friday 26th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Bigen:

Monopolies and Mergers,—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed merger between British Rail Hovercraft Limited and Hoverboyd Limited [by Act]; to be printed [No. 374].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—

(1) animal and poultry foods,
(2) bolts, nuts, screws, rivets, etc.,
(3) cocoa, chocolate and sugar confectionery,
(4) copper, brass and other copper alloys,
(5) corsets and miscellaneous dress industries,
(6) cutlery, spoons, forks and plated tableware, etc.,
(7) electrical equipment for motor vehicles, cycles and aircraft,
(8) gramophone records and tape recordings,
(9) leather (tanning and dressing) and fellmongery,
(10) men’s and boys’ tailored outerwear,
(11) miscellaneous building materials and mineral products,
(12) miscellaneous (non-electrical) machinery,
(13) miscellaneous wood and cork manufactures,
(14) overalls and men’s shirts, underwear, etc.,
(15) primary and secondary batteries,
(16) printing, bookbinding and paper goods machinery,
(17) pumps,
(18) telegraph and telephone apparatus and equipment,
(19) vegetable and animal oils and fats, and
(20) weatherproof outerwear

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Gas,—Draft of a Direction, entitled the British Gas Corporation (Disposal of Wytch Farm Oilfield Interests) Direction 1981 [by Act].
Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture,—Copy of the Report of the Intervention Board for Agriculture for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8283].


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

County Courts,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd June 1981, entitled the County Court Fees (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 895) [by Act].

County Courts,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981 [by Act].

[No. 130.]

Monday, 29th June, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Whitehaven Harbour Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Northumbrian Water Authority Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Northumbrian Water Authority Bill, 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).

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-x].

Home Affairs,—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 29th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 259-vii].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 348-iv].

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords],—Mr. R. C. Mitchell reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 168].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 396].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Supply [23rd 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 Thompson);

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

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the consideration of Lords Amendments to the Insurance Companies Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant)
Insurance Companies Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Insurance Companies Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Proprietary Medicinal Products.—Resolved, That this House takes note of the proposed European Community Council Directive 7583/80 (COM(80)267 Final), on the parallel importing of proprietary medicines, and endorses the Government's view that further consideration of the directive be postponed until progress has been made on price structures and harmonisation of manufacturing standards.—(Dr. Gerard Vaughan.)

Industrial Development.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Financial Assistance for Industry (Increase of Limit) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 1st June, be approved—(Mr. Carol Mather):—It was agreed to.

European Communities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Yugoslavia Agreements) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 2nd June, be approved—(Mr. Carol Mather):—It was agreed to.

Terms and Conditions of Employment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Employment Subsidies Act 1978 (Renewal) (Great Britain) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 12th May, be approved—(Mr. Carol Mather):—It was agreed to.

Belize Bill.—Ordered, That, in respect of the Belize Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Carol Mather.)

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

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

Monday 29th June 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Younger:


Education (Scotland).—Copy of a Scheme, dated 12th June 1981, entitled the C. K. Marr Educational Trust Scheme 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 857) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence (Royal Air Force).—Copy of Particulars of grants of pay, allowances, etc., sanctioned by Her Majesty's Minister for the Civil Service during the year ended 31st March 1981 under the dispensing Order of January 1922 made under the Air Force (Constitution) Act 1917 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Monopolies and Mergers.—Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed transfer of The Observer to George Outram & Company Limited [by Act]; to be printed [No. 378].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Offshore Installations.—Copies of Orders, dated 25th June 1981, entitled—

(1) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 12) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 903), and
(2) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (Revocation) (No. 5) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 902)

[by Act].
Mr. Peter Walker:

Sea Fisheries,—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 29th June 1981, entitled the Fishing Nets (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 5) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 906),
(2) an Order, dated 29th June 1981, entitled the Specified Sea Fish (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 5) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 907), and

[by Act.]

[No. 131.]

Tuesday, 30th June, 1981.

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.:

Milford Docks Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords],—The Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-sixth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xl].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 29th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 352-iii].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck 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 the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 62].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 62].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-first Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxii].

Finance Bill,—Mr. Michael Shaw reported from Standing Committee E, That they had gone through the Finance Bill (except Clauses 1, 4, 19, 23, 27, 29, 88, 89 and 122 and Schedules 1, 2 and 11), 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 167].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 398].
Education, Science and Arts.—Ordered. That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Baroness Young and the Lord Taylor of Blackburn to attend to be examined as witnesses before the Education, Science and Arts Committee.—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

Business of the House.—Ordered. That, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1)(c) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), the second part of the 24th allotted day may be proceeded with on Friday.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered. That the draft Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered. That the draft European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Protection of Parliamentary Integrity.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit Members of Parliament from holding any paid office or post whilst they are sitting Members of the House of Commons, other than the post to which they were elected—(Mr. Allen Adams);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ernie Ross, Mr. William McKelvey : 74.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Denshore Dover, Mr. Christopher Murphy : 155.

So the Question was negatived.

Supply [24th allotted day] [first part].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Conduct of the Secretary of State for the Environment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House condemns the conduct of the Secretary of State for the Environment towards this House of Commons, the latest example being his failure to honour an undertaking to the House in respect of the compulsory transfer of Greater London Council dwellings.—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Allen McKay : 228.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 311.

So the Question was negatived.

Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Housing (Homeless Persons) Act 1977)—(Mr. Donald Dewar)—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. 24) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 10, at the end, to insert the words "but if such an individual does not waive his or her right, the court may, on the application of either spouse, make an order declaring the spouse so entitled or permitted to occupy a matrimonial home to be an entitled spouse for the purposes of this Act, and such order will have effect until such time as it terminates in terms of section 5 of this Act, or the court recalls or varies same, on the application of either spouse or the individual having such an interest".—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 27) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 25, at the end, to insert the words—

"(7) The court may set aside any renunciation made under section 5 above on the application of the non-entitled spouse if it is satisfied that there has been a substantial change in circumstance since the said renunciation was signed which might prejudice the said non-entitled spouse, and it seems in all the circumstances just and reasonable so to do".—(Mr. Donald Dewar.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. James Hamilton: 86.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Donald Thompson: 149.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 4, 28, 29, 5 and 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 31, at the end, to insert the words—

“(e) Whether the applicant spouse has at any time lived in the matrimonial home which is the subject of his or her application.”—(Mr. Donald Dewar).

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 7) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 31) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 39, after the word “court”, to insert “((a))”.—(Mr. Bruce Millan)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. George Morton: 82.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 143.

Other Amendments (Nos. 8 to 14) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 33) proposed to the Bill, in page 14, line 26, after the word “providing”, to insert the words “subject to subsection (10A) below”.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind)

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, at this day’s sitting, the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] and the Belize Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 33) be made:—Debate resumed.

Question put and agreed to.

Another Amendment (No. 17) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 34) proposed to the Bill, in page 15, line 8, at the end, to insert the words—

“(6A) An application for an order transferring the tenancy of a matrimonial home as set out in subsection (1) above, may be made by the landlord, and a copy of such an application shall be served on the non-entitled spouse; the court, before making any order under this subsection, shall be satisfied that the non-entitled spouse consents to such application.”—(Mr. Donald Dewar)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 35 and 36) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 39) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 14, at the end, to insert the words “and such power shall be effective even if there has been a failure to deliver a copy of the said interdict to a chief constable in terms of subsections (4) or (5) below”.—(Mr. Donald Dewar)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 18 to 22) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 23) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 8, to leave out the words “no such period exceeding 6 months” and insert the words “and the duration of such period may be unlimited or limited, at the discretion of the court”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Dennis Canavan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 42 to 45) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
Belize Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Belize Bill;

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

Sir Ian Gilmour 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.

And the Question being proposed:—Debate arising;

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

*Wednesday, 1st July, 1981:*

And the Question being put:—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. Spencer Le Marchant.)*

*Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—*

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clause Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.

 Clause No. 5 (Retention of citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies in certain cases).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 3, line 30, to leave out subsections (1) to (3).—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 4.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 58.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 6 and 7 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Cope 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.

Social Security.—*Resolved, That the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements and Resources) Amendment Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 15th June, be approved.—(Mrs. Lynda Chalker.)*

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. John Selwyn Gummer):—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 ten minutes to Three o’clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.50 a.m.]

APPENDIX

*Tuesday 30th June 1981*

*Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:*

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 19th June 1981, and

(2) 22nd June 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].
Building Societies.—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1981, entitled the Customs Duties (Greece) (Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 905) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 39, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Oslo on 16th October 1979, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway on the exploitation of the Murchison Field Reservoir and the offtake of petroleum therefrom [by Command] [Cmnd. 8270].


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Museums and Galleries,—Copy of a Statement of increase in the value of indemnities for loss of objects loaned to the National Galleries of Scotland [by Command].

Education (Scotland),—Copy of a Scheme, dated 9th December 1980, entitled the Lothian Regional Council's Transfer Scheme 1980; together with an Instrument of approval by the Secretary of State for Scotland, dated 8th April 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Cinematographs and Cinematograph Films,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th June 1981, entitled the Films (Quotas) Order 1981 [by Act].

Customs and Excise,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1981, entitled the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 911) [by Act].


Prices,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1981, entitled the Butter and Concentrated Butter Prices Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 904) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industry,—Copy of a Direction, dated 29th June 1981, entitled the National Enterprise Board (Ferranti Limited Employee Bonus Share Scheme and Ferranti Measurements Limited Employee Bonus Share Scheme) Direction 1981 [by Act].

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

Supreme Court (Northern Ireland).—Copy of the Accounts of funds of suitors in the Supreme Court of Judicature and in the County Courts in Northern Ireland for the period 18th April 1979 to 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 397].

[No. 132]

Wednesday, 1st July, 1981.

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).

Greater London Council (Money) 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 Greater London Council (Money) 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; 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.

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 draft Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 was referred, That they had gone through the Order 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 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. 402].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 402].

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 New Towns Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, 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 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. 403].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 403].

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 Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill, 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 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. 404].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 404].

Defence,—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st July.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [362-iii].

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st July.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-xi].

Employment,—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st July.
Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-iv].

European Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-eighth Report).
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxviii].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxviii].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report).
Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 26].
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 26].

Foreign Affairs,—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).
Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 343].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 343].

Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-xi].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services,—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, which they directed her to make to the House; and had directed her to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report).

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 324].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 324].

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

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

Education, Science and Arts,—The Lords give leave to the Baroness Young to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if her Ladyship think fit.

Education, Science and Arts,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Taylor of Blackburn to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if his Lordship think fit.

Forestry Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Forestry Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 169].

Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill to be considered upon Friday 10th July; and to be printed [Bill 171].

Abolition of Warrant Sales (Scotland) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Abolition of Warrant Sales (Scotland) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 10th July.

Companies Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 10th July, the Companies Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 31st July.

National Health Service Act 1977 (Amendment),—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to improve the availability of terminations of pregnancy within the National Health Service—(Miss Jo Richardson); 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. Martin Flannery, Mr. Reg Race: 139.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mrs. Peggy Fenner: 215.

So the Question was negatived.

Supply [25th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Motor Vehicle Industry,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns Her Majesty's Government for pursuing economic and industrial policies which have had a disastrous effect on the British motor vehicle industry; notes with concern the rapid loss of employment in this vital industry, its effect on specific regions of the United Kingdom and on the total British economy; and calls for a policy to control the level of vehicle imports and of positive Government intervention to regulate the activities of multi-nationals in this industry—(Mr. Stanley Orme); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House supports the Government's economic and industrial policy; regrets the British motor vehicle industry's long
And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question; The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Frank R. White: 225.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 317.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House supports the Government's economic and industrial policy; regrets the British motor vehicle industry's long decline in competitiveness which reflects the past performance of managements and workforces as well as the interventions of previous Governments; notes that Her Majesty's Government have provided substantial funds to the industry at the expense of taxpayers and other sectors of industry and commerce; welcomes the industry's recent improvements in productivity, the investments in the United Kingdom by multi-nationals, and the voluntary restraint agreement with the Japanese; and believes that jobs and prosperity in the industry can only be assured if managements and workforces satisfy sufficient customers with the quality, price and design of their products.

Local Government.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved.—(Mr. Tom King);

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).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 117.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. George Morton: 55.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) Order 1980, a copy of which was laid before this House on 27th November, be approved.

Local Government.—Resolved, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Area and Constitution) (Amendment) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 18th June, be approved.—(Mr. Tom King.)

Urban Development.—Resolved, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Port of London Authority) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 9th April, be approved.—(Mr. Tom King.)

Urban Development.—Resolved, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Greater London Council) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 9th April, be approved.—(Mr. Tom King.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning; Thursday, 2nd July, 1981:

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 twenty-five minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

Adjourned at 12.25 a.m.
APPENDIX I

Wednesday 1st July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Church Commissioners, — Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Church Commissioners for England for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Health Service Commissioner, — Copy of the Third Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 368].

Mr. Secretary Biflen:
Monopolies and Mergers Commission, — Copy of a Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the supply in the United Kingdom of roadside advertising services [by Act]; to be printed [No. 365].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Mr. Barney Hayhoe:
Civil Service, — Copy of a Paper on Efficiency in the Civil Service [by Command] [Cmnd. 8293].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981 and the draft European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981, viz. : Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. Michael Brotherton, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Nigel Forman, Mr. Roy Hughes, Mr. Thomas McNally, Mr. Bryan Magee, Mr. Robert Parry, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. Nicholas Ridley, Mr. David Trippier, Mr. John Wakeham, Sir Patrick Wall, Mr. Gary Waller, and Mr. Keith Wickenden.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., — Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981, viz. : Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Robert Dunn, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Robert Hicks, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Ronald Lewis, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Paul Marland, Mr. Carol Mathew, Mr. Peter Mills, Mr. John Parker, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Dr. Gavin Strang, Mr. Jerry Wiggin, Mr. Nicholas Winterton, and Mr. Mark Wolfson.

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 1st July 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981 and the draft European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., and the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 133.]

Thursday, 2nd July, 1981.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill, — The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No. 2) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

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Northumbrian Water Authority Bill.—A Motion being made, That the Northumbrian Water Authority Bill be now read the third time;

The Second Deputy 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.

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

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them between 6th November and 21st May: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report) [Animal welfare in poultry, pig and veal calf production].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 406].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 406].

Agriculture,—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 11th June: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [Supply Estimates 1981-82, Class III, Votes 2, 3, 5 and 7].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 361].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 361].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 1st July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 400].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland 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 Social Security Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Transport Act 1962 (Amendment) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Countryside (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to certain of the Amendments made by this House to the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords]; and the Lords have disagreed to certain other Amendments made by this House, but propose Amendments in lieu thereof; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].—Lords Amendments in lieu of certain Commons Amendments to the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords] to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 173].

Indecent Displays (Control) Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill to be considered upon Friday 10th July; and to be printed [Bill 172].

Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves of the Government’s proposal to continue the provisions of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 and the Northern Ireland Act 1974 for further periods—(Mr. Secretary Atkins);
An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word
"House" to the end of the Question and add the words "agrees that it is time for a
wide-ranging inquiry into the workings of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions)
Act 1978", instead thereof.—(Mr. J. D. Concannon.)

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:

Northern Ireland,—The Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made to
the proposed Motion relating to Northern Ireland;

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton : 213.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. John Cope : 279.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer : 268.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours, Mr. Clive Soley : 45.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House approves of the Government’s proposal to continue the
provisions of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 and the Northern
Ireland Act 1974 for further periods.

Northern Ireland.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft
was laid before this House on 15th June, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Atkins);

The House proceeded to a Division.

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

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer : 137.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Alfred Dubs : 28.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978 (Continuance)
Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 15th June, be approved.

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Northern Ireland Act 1974 (Interim Period
Extension) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 15th June, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Atkins.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes to One
o’clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.33 a.m.

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APPENDIX I

Thursday 2nd July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
- Civil Aviation, Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th June 1981 on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].
- Electricity, Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th June 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].
- National Health Service, Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th June 1981 on stock issued by the General Practice Finance Corporation [by Act].
- Water, Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th June 1981 on loans raised by the Welsh Water Authority [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
- European Communities (No. 38, 1981), Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Tunisia, on the import into the Community of preserved fruit salads originating in Tunisia [by Command] [Cmnd. 8280].
- Treaty Series (No. 34, 1981), Copy of the First Supplementary List of ratifications, accessions, withdrawals, etc., for 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8276].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
- 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 a Petition was presented to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State on or before the 27th day of March 1981, namely, the Glasgow and West of Scotland Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Order, and are of opinion that the Order should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make thereonent [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
- National Health Service, Copy of Regulations, dated 24th June 1981, entitled the National Health Service Functions (Directions to Authorities) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 888) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Mr. Secretary Atkins:
- Explosives, Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives for Northern Ireland for 1979 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 353].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
- Coal Industry, Drafts of Orders, entitled—
  (1) the Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1981, and
  (2) the Coal Industry (Limit on Grants) Order 1981 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Dr. Gavin Strang (nominated in respect of the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. John Home Robertson.
MEMORANDUM

Thursday 2nd July 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Dr. Edmund Marshall an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords], in place of Mr. John Wells; Miss Betty Boothroyd Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme ( Confirmation) Order 1981 ; and Mr. Victor Goodhew Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981.

[No. 134.]

Friday, 3rd July, 1981.

The House met at half-past Nine 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 Disabled Persons (No. 2) 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 Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill to be considered upon Friday 10th July; and to be printed [Bill 174].

Friendly Societies Bill,—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Secretary Heseltine, Mr. Secretary Biffen, Mr. Leon Brittan, Mr. Nigel Lawson, and Mr. Peter Rees, presented a Bill to repeal section 2(1) of the Friendly Societies Act 1974; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 6th July and to be printed [Bill 170].

Supply [24th allotted day] [second part],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

International Year of Disabled People,—Resolved, That this House welcomes and endorses the aims of the International Year of Disabled People; calls on Her Majesty's Government to pursue policies consistent with these aims; and urges the Government to initiate discussions with all the relevant organisations, before the end of 1981, on a programme of action to maintain the impetus of the International Year in the years ahead.—(Mr. Alfred Morris.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 2.54 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 3rd July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Supply Estimates, 1981-82,—Copy of a Note by the Financial Secretary to the Treasury on Revised and Supplementary Estimates for the service of the year ending 31st March 1982 [by Command].

Supply Estimates (Revised Estimates), 1981-82,—Revised Estimates of the sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1982 (Classes II-XVII: Civil) [by Command]; to be printed [No. 381].

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1981-82,—Supplementary Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1982 (Classes II-XVII: Civil) [by Command]; to be printed [No. 382].
Mr. Secretary Younger:
Housing (Scotland).—Copy of an Order, dated 15th April 1981, entitled the Housing (Standard Amenities Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 637) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Dock Work Regulation.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Dock Labour Board for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Social Security.—Copy of a Report by the Government Actuary on the draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8296].

Social Security.—Drafts of—
(1) an Order, entitled the Pensioners' Lump Sum Payments Order 1981,
(2) an Order, entitled the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1981,
(3) Regulations, entitled the Child Benefit (Up-rating) Regulations 1981,
(4) Regulations, entitled the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1981, and
(5) Regulations, entitled the Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

[No. 135.]

Monday, 6th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the County of Kent Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Amendments made to the Bill.

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.

Milford Docks Bill [Lords].—The Milford Docks Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

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

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 411].

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 352-iv].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 367-ii].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 182-xii].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 6th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 348-v].
Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixth Report) [The Form of the Estimates].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 325].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 325].

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 concerning the duties of excise relating to betting and gaming; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords]].

Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords].—The Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 175].

Countryside (Scotland) Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Countryside (Scotland) Bill to be considered upon Friday; and to be printed [Bill 176].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Flags of Convenience.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House deplores the part played by Her Majesty's Government in opposing moves to take action against flags of convenience at the recent meetings of the Shipping Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in Geneva and, more particularly, in its decision to vote against the recommendations supported overwhelmingly by the Third World countries on 6th June 1981; and, furthermore, considers that this action reflects the complete failure of Her Majesty's Government to work out a coherent shipping policy for the United Kingdom—(Mr. Clinton Davis);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert C. Brown, Mr. James Johnson: 132.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Donald Thompson: 170.

So the Question was negatived.

Ways and Means.—Tobacco Products (No. 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That as respects any time after 7th July 1981 the Resolution of the House (Tobacco products) of 16th March shall have effect with the substitution for £18.04, £34.29, £29.56 and £21.92 of £19.03, £35.91, £30.96 and £22.96 respectively.

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. Leon Brittan):—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, at this day's sitting, the Motions relating to Ways and Means and the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Tony Newton: 129.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Ronald Leighton: 74.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motions relating to Ways and Means and the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.

Ways and Means.—Tobacco Products (No. 2).—The Question (Ways and Means.—Tobacco Products (No. 2) being again proposed:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 7th July, 1981:

And the Question being put:

The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Peter Brooke: 113.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Allen McKay: 40.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That as respects any time after 7th July 1981 the Resolution of the House (Tobacco products) of 16th March shall have effect with the substitution for £18.04, £34.29, £29.56 and £21.92 of £19.03, £35.91, £30.96 and £22.96 respectively.

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.

Ways and Means.—General betting duty.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, 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 on or after 12th July 1981 which is not an on-course bet within the meaning of the section in question shall be of an amount equal to 8 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. Leon Brittan):—Debate arising:

Mr. Michael Jopling rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Mr. Michael Jopling rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Mr. Michael Jopling 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. Carol Mather, Mr. Peter Brooke: 133.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Allen McKay: 21.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 109.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Frank Haynes: 22.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, 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 on or after 12th July 1981 which is not an on-course bet within the meaning of the section in question shall be of an amount equal to 8 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.

Ways and Means.—Bingo duty.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, as from 27th July 1981, section 17(2) of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 shall have effect:

(a) with the substitution for “ 7 1/2 per cent. ” (in both places) of “ 10 per cent. ”;
(b) with the substitution for “ three thirty-sevenths ” of “ one-ninth ”.

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. Leon Brittan):—Debate arising:

Mr. Michael Jopling 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. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 121.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Allen McKay: 19.
So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Donald Thompson: 106.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Tinn, Mr. Allen McKay: 19.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That, as from 27th July 1981, section 17(2) of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 shall have effect—

(a) with the substitution for “7½ per cent.” (in both places) of “10 per cent.”;

(b) with the substitution for “three thirty-sevenths” of “one-ninth”.

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.

Ways and Means.—Gaming machine licence duty.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That increases shall be made in the rates of gaming machine licence duty chargeable under section 21 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 and Part V of the Miscellaneous Transferred Excise Duties Act (Northern Ireland) 1972—(Mr. Leon Brittan):—Debate arising:

Mr. Michael Jopling 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:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 97.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank Haynes: 30.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That increases shall be made in the rates of gaming machine licence duty chargeable under section 21 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 and Part V of the Miscellaneous Transferred Excise Duties Act (Northern Ireland) 1972.

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provision) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Public Accounts.—Ordered, That the Standing Order of 4th July 1979 relating to the nomination of the Committee of Public Accounts be amended, by adding Mr. Ray Whitney.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes to Ten o’clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 9.51 a.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 6th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Electricity,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 30th June 1981 on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

New Towns (Scotland),—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 1st July 1981 on loans raised by—

(1) the Cumbernauld Development Corporation,
(2) the East Kilbride Development Corporation,
(3) the Irvine Development Corporation, and
(4) the Livingston Development Corporation [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Younger:

National Health Service (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th June 1981, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 900) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biflen:

Bankruptcy.—Copy of the Report of the Department of Trade on Bankruptcy for 1980 [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Road Traffic.—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 19th June 1981, entitled the Hereford and Worcester Trial Area Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 885), and

PRAYERS.

Tuesday, 7th July, 1981.

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

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday.

Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the Peterborough Development Corporation 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, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

East Sussex Bill [Lords].—Mr. Roger Moate reported from the Committee on the East Sussex 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 had 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. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-seventh Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xii].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-v].

Environment.—Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann reported from the Environment Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 7th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 383-ii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix ID).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-second Report).
Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxiii].

Scottish Estimates.—Mr. Harry Gourlay reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That they had considered the Estimates to them referred and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 416].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Miss Betty Boothroyd reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 25th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 413].

Minimum Housing Standards Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday, the Minimum Housing Standards Bill was read and discharged.

Bill withdrawn.

Mr. Dennis Skinner, Member for Bolsover, having conducted himself in a grossly disorderly manner, was ordered by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 23 (Disorderly conduct), to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting:—And he withdrew accordingly.

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Ordered, That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Welsh Affairs,—Ordered, That the matter of the Welsh Development Agency, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for their consideration.—(Mr. Alastair Goodlad.)

Garden Supplies (Sunday Trading),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend Schedule 5 of the Shops Act 1950 to make lawful the sale of garden supplies on Sunday; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Nicholas Lyell, Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Kenneth Carlisle, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Viscount Cranborne, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. Peter Rost, and Mr. Michael Spicer, do prepare and bring it in.

Garden Supplies (Sunday Trading) Bill,—Mr. Nicholas Lyell accordingly presented a Bill to amend Schedule 5 of the Shops Act 1950 to make lawful the sale of garden supplies on Sunday; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 179].

Defence Programme.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the White Paper on "The United Kingdom Defence Programme: The Way Forward" (Cmdn. 8288)—(Mr. Secretary Nott);—An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "while noting that 'The United Kingdom Defence Programme: The Way Forward' (Cmdn. 8288) restrains the current defence budget to a 3 per cent. real terms increase per year until 1985-86, nevertheless believes that the inclusion of the Trident nuclear missile submarine programme will ensure that the overall cost of the defence budget places an undue burden on the nation's resources and that this programme should be cancelled and a portion of the saving thus achieved should be spent on increasing the build-rate of hunter-killer submarines", instead thereof.—(Dr. David Owen.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;—Mr. John Roper 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;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Wellbeloved, Mr. John Roper: 17.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 320.
So the Question was negatived.
And the Main Question being put;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 309.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Frank R. White: 240.
So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House approves the White Paper on "The United Kingdom Defence Programme: The Way Forward" (Cmnd. 8288).

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, consideration of Lords Amendments to the British Telecommunications Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

British Telecommunications Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the British Telecommunications Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 63 were agreed to.
Lords Amendments Nos. 64 and 65 were agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.
Lords Amendments Nos. 66 to 101 were agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 102 was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.
Lords Amendments Nos. 103 to 118 were agreed to.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Carol Mather);
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 8th July, 1981:

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.24 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 7th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Appropriations in Aid.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 7th July 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Vote for the Department of Health and Social Security and of other Government Departments in carrying into effect the Pensioners' Payments and Social Security Act 1979, the Social Security Act 1980 and the Social Security (No. 2) Act 1980 [by Act].

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 25th June 1981, and
(2) 26th June 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:


Treaty Series (No. 44, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Oslo on 16th October 1979, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway on the exploitation of the Statfjord Field Reservoirs and the offtake of petroleum therefrom [by Command] [Cmnd. 8282].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Electricity,—Draft of an Order, entitled the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board (Compensation for Smelter Deficits) Order 1981 [by Act].

Sea Fish Industry,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Herring Industry Board for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Merchant Shipping,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th June 1981, entitled the Oil Pollution (Compulsory Insurance) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 912) [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Iron and Steel,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Steel Corporation for the year ended 28th March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Fair Employment (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Accounts of the Fair Employment Agency for Northern Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1980 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 392].

Sex Discrimination (Northern Ireland),—Copy of the Accounts of the Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1980 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [by Statutory Instrument] ; to be printed [No. 393].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Participation Agreements,—Statements, dated 2nd July 1981, by the Secretary of State for Energy of the certification of agreements, dated—

(1) 17th September 1980,
(2) 19th December 1980,
(3) 1st January 1981,
(4) 1st January 1981,
(5) 18th February 1981,
(6) 23rd February 1981,
(7) 25th February 1981,
(8) 25th February 1981,
(9) 22nd April 1981, and
(10) 30th April 1981,
as agreements to which section 1 of the Participation Agreements Act 1978 applies [by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:

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

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 Dyfed County Council (Llanelli-Hendy Link Road) Compulsory Purchase Order 1980,
(2) the Poole Harbour Revision Order 1981,
(3) the Brightlingsea Harbour Revision Order 1981, and
(4) the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1981
[by Act].

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

Public Petitions.—Observations by the Home Secretary on the Petition [12th June] from citizens of the United Kingdom for increased deterrents against crimes of violence, rape and abduction [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Anthony Berry and Mr. Cranley Onslow (nominated in respect of the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Graham Bright and Mr. Fred Silvester.

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 7th July 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 137.]

Wednesday, 8th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Amendments made to the Bill.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill.—The Second 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 (General Powers) 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.

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].—The Second 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 Reformed Church Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.
Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords].—The Second 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 Wallerawang Collieries, Limited 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.

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 Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords] and the Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, were referred, that they had gone through the Bills, 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 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. 418].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 418].

Defence.—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 362-iv].

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-xiv].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282-vi].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Twenty-ninth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxix].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxix].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them between 3rd and 24th June: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report) [The Proposed Transfer of HGV and PSV Testing to the Private Sector].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 344].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 344].

Transport.—Mr. Tom Bradley reported from the Transport 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th April: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report) [The Transport Aspects of the 1981 Public Expenditure White Paper].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 299].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 299].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 8th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 360-iv].
Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Victor Goodhew reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981, referred to a Committee on 16th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 417].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Zoo Licensing (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the British Railways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Minimum Housing Standards (No. 2) Bill,—Mr. David Alton, supported by Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. Geraint Howells, Mr. Russell Johnston, and Mr. David Penhaligon, presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Act 1936 and the Housing Act 1957 in respect of the minimum amenities and standards required for dwelling houses, to provide powers and duties for the enforcement of such standards; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 180].

Incitement to Racial Hatred,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Order Act 1936, as amended by the Race Relations Act 1976, so as to provide further for the prevention of incitement to racial hatred—(Mr. Sydney Bidwell);

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. John Sever, Mr. Stanley Newens: 171.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. Christopher Murphy: 38.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Ian Mikardo, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Stanley Newens, Mr. David Winnick, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. Clive Soley, Mrs. Renée Short, and Mr. George Park, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Incitement to Racial Hatred Bill,—Mr. Sydney Bidwell accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Public Order Act 1936, as amended by the Race Relations Act 1976, so as to provide further for the prevention of incitement to racial hatred: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 181].

Supply [26th allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Regional Policy,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns Her Majesty's Government for pursuing disastrous economic and social policies which have reduced overall financial assistance to the regions, crippled local authorities and increased unemployment to intolerable levels in every region of the United Kingdom—(Mr. Eric G. Varley);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House, noting that Government expenditure on financial assistance to industry in the regions continues at high levels, supports the Government's policy of concentrating regional assistance on the areas of greatest need; notes that regional assistance is provided at the expense of individual and corporate taxpayers throughout the whole of the United Kingdom; and believes that Government interventions are less important than the efforts of existing and new managements and their workforces to be competitive and so to secure prosperity and fuller employment in the regions", instead thereof.—(Secretary Sir Keith Joseph).

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Donald Coleman: 236.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 302.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.
Resolved, That this House noting that Government expenditure on financial assistance to industry in the regions continues at high levels, supports the Government's policy of concentrating regional assistance on the areas of greatest need; notes that regional assistance is provided at the expense of individual and corporate taxpayers throughout the whole of the United Kingdom; and believes that Government interventions are less important than the efforts of existing and new managements and their workforces to be competitive and so to secure prosperity and fuller employment in the regions.

Higher Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House strongly condemns the cuts in resources for higher education by Her Majesty's Government including the imposition of "full cost" fees for overseas students; deplores the deliberate reduction in student places by 20,000 which will mark the abandonment of the Robbins principle at a time when the population of student age is increasing and the higher education need of adults is growing; and notes with special concern the effect of cuts on those institutions which have made particular efforts to provide for the technological and scientific needs of the nation by their teaching and research activities—(Mr. Neil Kinnock);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 1, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House, recognising the need for restraint in public expenditure, notes that the Government continues to make substantial resources available for higher education and welcomes the recommendations of the University Grants Committee for the rationalisation of the university system to ensure a balanced provision ", instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Carlisle.)

And the Question being put, That the original words stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Hamilton: 230.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. John Cope: 272.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Question, That the proposed words be there added, being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 32 (Questions on Amendments):—It was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker forthwith declared the Main Question, as amended, to be agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, recognising the need for restraint in public expenditure, notes that the Government continues to make substantial resources available for higher education and welcomes the recommendations of the University Grants Committee for the rationalisation of the university system to ensure a balanced provision.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, consideration of Lords Amendments to the Forestry Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

Forestry Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Forestry Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 1 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 2, in page 1, line 9, at end insert—

"(2A) Subsection (2) above shall not apply in relation to land acquired under this section which is in the Forest of Dean; but the Minister may sell any such land if in his opinion it is not needed, or ought not to be used, for the purpose of afforestation or any purpose connected with forestry, and may exchange any such land for other land more suitable for either of the said purposes and may pay or receive money for equality of exchange ".

An Amendment was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 3, after the word "Dean" to insert the words "or the Dean Forest and Wye Valley Forest Park or Snowdonia Forest Park or the Border Forest Park or Galloway Forest Park or the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park or Argyll Forest Park or Glen More Forest Park or the New Forest ".—(Mr. Dennis Canavan.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. John Home Robertson: 26.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 110.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 3 and 4 were agreed to.
Associated States.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Antigua Termination of Association Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 24th June, be approved—(Mr. Richard Luce);

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, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Tony Newton: 75.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. Nigel Spearing: 7.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Antigua Termination of Association Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 24th June, be approved.

Industrial Organisation and Development.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Furniture Development Council (Dissolution) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 23rd June, be approved—(Mr. John MacGregor).

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 draft Furniture Development Council (Dissolution) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 23rd June, be approved.

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

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 to Three o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.43 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 8th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

New Towns (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 3rd July 1981 on loans raised by the Glenrothes Development Corporation [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Social Security,—Copy of the Statement by the Secretary of State for Social Services on the uprating of mobility allowance for 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 408].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


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 Greater London (Rochester Way Relief Road, Greenwich) Compulsory Purchase Order 1979 [by Act].

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

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the Fifth Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 395].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Welsh Grand Committee.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Mr. John Cope to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Welsh Development Agency.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Peter Archer, Mr. Joe Ashton, Sir Ronald Bell, Mr. Alan Clark, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. Denshore Dover, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. Derek Foster, Mr. W. E. Garrett, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Douglas Hogg, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. John McWilliam, Mr. Michael Mates, Mr. David Mellor, Mr. Norman Miscampbell, and Sir Ian Percival.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Anthony Beaumont-Dark, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Stephen Dorrell, Mr. Nigel Forman, Mr. Ralph Howell, Mr. Dan Jones, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. Gregor Mackenzie, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. George Park, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. Richard Shepherd, Mr. Jack Straw, Mr. Michael Welsh, and Mr. David Young.

[No. 1381]

Thursday, 9th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

County of Kent Bill [Lords].—A Motion being made, That the County of Kent Bill [Lords] 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.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—The Greater London Council (Money) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill:

And 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.

Ullapool Pier Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Younger presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Ullapool Pier: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Wednesday 15th July and to be printed [Bill 183].

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Thirteenth Report) [The Underwater Training Centre, Fort William].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 410]. Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 410].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourteenth Report) [Carry-over of cash limits at end of financial year].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 376].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 376].

Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords],—Mr Paul Dean reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Companies (No.2) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 182].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 419].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Criminal Attempts Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Iron and Steel Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Criminal Attempts Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Criminal Attempts Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 184].

Iron and Steel Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Iron and Steel Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 185].

Hotels and Restaurants (Control of Service Charges) Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Hotels and Restaurants (Control of Service Charges) Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 17th July.

Supply [27th 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. Peter Brooke);

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

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Supreme Court Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Supreme Court Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Supreme Court Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Amendment of Solicitors Act 1974)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—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 25, line 35, to leave out the words "legal advisers" and insert the word "solicitors", instead thereof.—(Sir Walter Clegg.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 8) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 5, to leave out "(2)".—(Mr. Peter Archer.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 11 to 13, 16, 17 and 20) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 23) proposed to the Bill, in page 98, to leave out from the word "Court" in line 20, to the word "on" in line 21.—(Sir Walter Clegg.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 24, 25 and 27 to 38) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Local Authorities) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th April, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (British Railways Board) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th April, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Mersey Docks and Harbour Company) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th April, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Mersey Docks and Harbour Company No. 2) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th April, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the Merseyside Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Mersey Docks and Harbour Company No. 3) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th April, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Agriculture,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Meat and Livestock Commission Levy (Variation) Scheme (Confirmation) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th June, be approved—(Mr. Anthony Berry):—

It was agreed to.

Welsh Grand Committee,—Ordered, That during proceedings on the matter of the Welsh Development Agency, the Welsh Grand Committee have leave to sit twice on the first day on which they shall meet; and that, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 64 (Meetings of Standing Committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o'clock nor continue after the Committee have considered the matter for two hours at that sitting.—(Mr. Anthony Berry.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 10th July, 1981:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes past Twelve o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.12 a.m.

APPENDIX

Thursday 9th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Supply Estimates (Supplementary Estimates, 1981-82),—Supplementary Estimates of the further sum required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1982 (Class III, Vote 8: Civil) [by Command]; to be printed [No. 405].

Appropriations in Aid,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 9th July 1981, directing the application of certain receipts as appropriations in aid of the Vote for the Department of Trade [by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Economic Co-operation and Development (Miscellaneous No. 15, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Khartoum on 4th August 1963, establishing the African Development Bank, as amended (the United Kingdom has not acceded to the Agreement) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8284].

European Communities (No. 39, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of Letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco, on the import into the Community of preserved fruit salads originating in Morocco [by Command] [Cmnd. 8286].

Treaty Series (No. 43, 1981).—Copy of a European Convention, signed at Strasbourg on 15th October 1975, on the legal status of children born out of wedlock [by Command] [Cmnd. 8287].


Mr. Secretary Younger:


Mr. Secretary Prior:

Health and Safety.—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th June 1981, entitled the Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 917) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Bigen:

Fair Trading.—Copy of the Statement of Consent of the Secretary of State for Trade to the transfer of "The Observer" newspaper [by Act].

Gas.—Copies of the Reports of—
(1) the Northern Gas Consumers' Council, and
(2) the South Western Gas Consumers' Council
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Census of Production.—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on photographic chemical materials [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Peter Walker:

Sea Fisheries.—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th June 1981, entitled the Spanish Fishing (Enforcement) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 935) [by Act].

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

Northern Ireland.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].
MEMORANDUM

Thursday 9th July 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairman of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Barry Henderson Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the matter of the Recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry into Local Government in Scotland (the Stodart Committee) and an additional Chairman in respect of the matter of Colleges of Education in Scotland; Mr. Edward Leadbitter Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981 and the draft European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981; Mr. David Watkins Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981; and Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981.

[No. 139.]

Friday, 10th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 8th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 321—iii].

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 County of Kent Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Local Government and Planning (Amendment) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Indecent Displays (Control) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Indecent Displays (Control) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Disabled Persons (No. 2) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Countryside (Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Countryside (Scotland) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Licensing (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Clive Soley reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (Amendment) 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 half-past Two o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 17th July.
Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Gaelic Language (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 24th July.

Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tobacco Products (Control of Advertising, Sponsorship and Sales Promotion) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 24th July.

Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 24th July.

Friendly Societies Bill,—Ordered, That, in respect of the Friendly Societies Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses and 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. Peter Brooke.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute past Three o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.1 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Friday 10th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Agriculture,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th June 1981, entitled the Corn Returns (Delegation of Functions) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 926) [by Act].

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services,—Drafts of Undertakings between the Secretary of State for Scotland and—

(1) Roderick Cunningham (Scalpay) Limited,
(2) the Northern Shipping & Trading Company (Helmsdale) Limited,
(3) Western Ferries (Argyll) Limited, and
(4) William Dennison (Shapinsay) Limited

[by Act].

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

(1) the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Dundee and Stirling Districts) 1981-82, and
(2) the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Lothian Region) 1981-82

[by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd July 1981, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 965) [by Act].

Public Health (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd July 1981, entitled the Nursing Homes Registration (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 977) [by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd July 1981, entitled the Road Traffic Accidents (Payments for Treatment) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 976) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Education,—Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 24th June 1981, entitled the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 909), and
(2) 26th June 1981, entitled the Teachers’ Superannuation (Notional Salaries) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 934)

[by Act].
Mr. Secretary Prior:

Industrial Training.—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—

(1) the Engineering Industry Training Board, and
(2) the Foundry Industry Training Committee
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

National Health Service.—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st July 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Health Authorities: Membership) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 933) [by Act].

Public Health.—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st July 1981, entitled the Nursing Homes and Mental Nursing Homes Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 932) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Gas.—Copies of the Reports of—

(1) the East Midlands Gas Consumers’ Council, and
(2) the West Midlands Gas Consumers’ Council
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:


Housing.—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd July 1981, entitled the Housing (Right to Buy) (Designated Rural Areas and Designated Regions) (England) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 940) [by Act].

Urban Development.—Copies of Orders, dated 6th July 1981, entitled—

(1) the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Greater London Council No. 2) Order 1981, and
(2) the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Tower Hamlets London Borough Council) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:


Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Road Traffic.—Copies of Regulations, dated—

(1) 29th June 1981, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 915),
(2) 29th June 1981, entitled the Passenger Vehicles (Experimental Areas) Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 914), and
[by Act].

Transport.—Statement of determination of the pension of a Vice-Chairman of the British Railways Board [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture.—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd July 1981, entitled the Home-Grown Cereals Authority (Rate of Levy) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 954) [by Act].

Seeds.—Copies of Regulations, dated 1st July 1981, entitled—

(1) the Cereal Seeds (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 938), and
(2) the Seeds (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 939)
[by Act].
Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Ecclesiastical Law.—Copies of—

(2) an Order, dated 6th July 1981, entitled the Parochial Fees (No. 1) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 960),
(3) an Order, dated 6th July 1981, entitled the Parochial Fees (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 961),
(4) Regulations, dated 4th July 1981, entitled the Clergy Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 962), and

[by Measure].

[No. 140.]

Monday, 13th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Humberside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be considered to-morrow.

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

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 110-xv].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Race Relations and Immigration on 13th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 259-vii].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with an Appendix, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventh Report) [Civil Service Manpower Reductions]. Report, together with Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 423].

Minutes of Proceeding of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 423].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 13th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 348-vi].

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 2, to leave out the words “a Scottish firm.”—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 10, to leave out the words “subsection (4)” and insert the words “subsections (4) and (4A),” instead thereof.—(Dr. John Cunningham.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 26, at the end, to insert the words—

“(b) relating to the arrangements to be made with regard to the recognition of bona fide trade unions for collective bargaining.”—(Dr. John Cunningham.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank Haynes: 112.

An Amendment (No. 8) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 47, at the end, to insert the words—

"(4A) An exploration or an exploitation licence shall not be granted unless the person applying for the licence specifies two sites, one of which may be licensed, the other to be safeguarded for the use of such organisation as may be set up following international agreement to a Convention arising from the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea; if no such organisation is set up within twenty years of the passing of this Act the latter site may be offered back to the original applicant ";—(Dr. John Cunningham.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Donald Coleman: 119.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Tony Newton: 175.

Another Amendment (No. 13) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 15) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 22, to leave out the words " or molybdenum " and insert the words " molybdenum or any other metal ", instead thereof.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Thompson, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 175.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn: 109.

So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], as amended, be considered in the following order, namely, new Clauses relating to Part I; Amendments relating to Clauses 1 to 8; Schedules 1 to 4; Clauses 9 and 10; Schedule 5; Clause 11; Schedule 6; Clause 12; Schedule 7; Clause 13; Schedule 8; Clause 14; Schedule 9; Clause 15; Schedule 10; Clauses 16 to 27; new Schedules relating to Part I; Amendments relating to Clauses 28 to 32; Schedule 11; Clauses 33 to 44; Schedule 12; Clauses 45 to 47; new Schedules relating to Part II; new Clauses relating to Part III; Amendments relating to Clause 48; Schedule 13; Clause 49; Schedule 14; Clauses 50 to 57; Schedule 15; Clauses 58 to 60; new Schedules relating to Part III; other new Clauses; Amendments relating to Clauses 61 to 68; other new Schedules; Amendments relating to Schedule 16.—(Mr. Tom King.)

A Clause (Protection of certain mammals)—(Mr. Hector Monro)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Reports on grey seal management)—(Mr. Tam Dalyell)—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. Frank Haynes, Mr. George Morton: 98.
Tellers for the Noes, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 139.

Another Clause (Sale of imported hares)—(Mr. Peter Hardy)—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 (Daily inspection of snares)—(Mr. Peter Hardy)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Use of vehicles in poaching offences)—(Mr. A. J. Beith)—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. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 11, to leave out sub-paragraph (b).—(Mr. Peter Hardy).

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank Haynes: 84.

Other Amendments (Nos. 8 to 11 and 167) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 216) proposed to the Bill, in page 10, line 26, at the end, to insert the words “ or 

(c) while that bird is either in the process of being conveyed or exhibited at an exhibition or show”.—(Mr. Dale Campbell-Savours.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment made to the Bill, in page 10, line 24, by inserting, after the word “ means ”, the words—

“ (aa) while that bird is being shown for the purposes of any public exhibition or competition if the time during which the bird is kept or confined for those purposes does not in the aggregate exceed 72 hours ”.—(Mr. Tom King.)

Another Amendment (No. 12) proposed to the Bill, in page 60, to leave out line 18. —(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

And it being Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Selwyn Gummer.)

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 61, to leave out line 14.—(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 18 to 21, 168, 169, 22 to 24 and 170) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 25) proposed to the Bill, in page 63, line 31, at the end, to insert the words—

“ Butterfly, Purple Emperor. Apatura iris ”.—(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 26 and 28) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 267) proposed to the Bill, in page 12, line 46, at the end, to insert the words “ and including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, any such substance which emits poisonous gas or vapour ”.—(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 241) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 20, after the second word “ of ”, to insert the words “ protecting species on a regional basis or ”.—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank Haynes: 67.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cope, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 128.

Other Amendments (No. 29 and 197 to 205) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 284) proposed to the Bill, in page 67, line 44, to leave out the word "(a) which" and insert the word "which—

(a)", instead thereof.—(Mr. Tom King.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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Question put and agreed to.

Other Amendments (Nos. 285, 286, 206, 207, 172 to 174, 208, 209, 175, 210, 211 and 30) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 31) proposed to the Bill, in page 14, line 24, after the word "not", to insert the words "or has not been".—(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (No. 193 to 195, 32 and 33) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 242) proposed to the Bill, in page 73, line 12, at the end, to insert the words—

"(ac) shall only be issued for species to which Schedules 1 and 2 to this Act apply, or items to which Schedule 3 to this Act applies, if they originate from a ranch or farm which meets the standards of practice defined by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species; this provision to come into effect within five years of the passing of this Act".—(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 34 to 47, 146, 49 to 57 and 176) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 290) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 9, after the word "specify", to insert the words "each person so authorised".—(Mr. Denis Howell)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 58 to 60) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 291) proposed to the Bill, in page 18, line 7, to leave out the words "from time to time" and insert the word "regularly", instead thereof.—(Mr. Denis Howell.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 62 and 63) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 231) proposed to the Bill, in page 23, line 2, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) The Council shall produce an annual report, to be presented to Parliament by the Secretary of State, detailing loss and damage to Sites of Special Scientific Interest and National Nature Reserves, major habitat changes, the losses of recognised types of habitat and the causes for these changes and losses".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 265) proposed to the Bill, in page 23, line 2, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) The Council may appoint such wildlife investigation and enforcement officers as they deem expedient for the purpose of investigating offences committed against the provisions of this Part and of the Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976 and of any orders or regulations made under these enactments".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 64 to 66, 177 and 67) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Bill to be further considered this day.

Civil Aviation.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Aviation Security Fund (Third Amendment) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 10th June, be approved.—(Mr. Peter Brooke):—It was agreed to.
Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes past Three o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 3.14 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 13th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:
Overseas Development and Co-operation,—Draft of an Order, entitled the International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Gas,—Copies of the Reports of—
(1) the North Eastern Gas Consumers' Council,
(2) the Scottish Gas Consumers' Council, and
(3) the South Eastern Gas Consumers' Council
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) bedding, etc.,
(2) brewing and malting,
(3) dresses, lingerie, infants' wear, etc.,
(4) electrical appliances primarily for domestic use,
(5) glass,
(6) iron and steel (general),
(7) radio, radar and electronic capital goods, and
(8) textile machinery and accessories
[by Act].

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

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 Anglesey Marine Terminal Revision Order 1981 [by Act].

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

[No. 141.]

Tuesday, 14th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords],—The Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords],—The Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords],—The Wallerawang Collieries, Limited Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.
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.

Humberside Bill (Lords).—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Humberside Bill (Lords), as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 Evidence taken before them on 14th July and Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Twenty-eighth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xlili].

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xlili].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 14th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 421-j].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table.

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-third Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxvi].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 427].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. David Watkins reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 6th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 425].

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

The Lords have agreed to the South Yorkshire Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Peterborough Development Corporation Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Preston Borough Council Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments &c.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)
Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Third Reading of the Finance Bill may be taken immediately after the consideration of the Bill, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the intervals between the stages of Bills brought in upon Ways and Means Resolutions.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Agricultural Tied Housing Reform (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to improve the security of tenure of farmworkers and others who occupy agricultural tied houses in Scotland; and for connected purposes.—(Mr. John Home Robertson);

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):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. John Home Robertson, Mr. Gavin Strang, Mr. Norman Buchan, Mr. Hugh D. Brown, Mr. Donald Dewar, Mr. Martin O’Neill, Mr. Dennis Canavan, Mr. George Foulkes, Mr. Robert Hughes, and Mr. William McKelvey, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Agricultural Tied Housing Reform (Scotland) Bill.—Mr. John Home Robertson accordingly presented a Bill to improve the security of tenure of farmworkers and others who occupy agricultural tied houses in Scotland; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 24th July and to be printed [Bill 186].

Marriage of His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales to the Lady Diana Spencer.—Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty congratulating Her Majesty and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh on the approaching Marriage of His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales to the Lady Diana Spencer; expressing to Her Majesty the great pleasure felt by this House and the Nation at this joyful event; and praying that His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales and the Lady Diana Spencer will be blessed with every happiness in their married life.—(The Prime Minister.)

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.

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 the Finance Bill, as amended, be considered in the following Order—

(a) new Clauses;

(b) Amendments relating to Clause 1, Schedules 1 and 2, Clauses 2 to 7, Schedule 3, Clause 8, Schedule 4, Clause 9, Schedule 5, Clause 10, Schedules 6 and 7, Clause 11, Schedule 8, Clauses 12 to 35, Schedules 9 and 10, Clauses 36 to 63, Schedule 11, Clauses 64 to 89, Schedule 12, Clauses 90 to 93, Schedule 13, Clauses 94 to 122, Schedule 14, Clauses 123 to 128, Schedule 15, Clauses 129 and 130, Schedule 16, Clauses 131 to 133;

(c) new Schedules;

(d) Amendments relating to Schedule 17.—(Mr. Nigel Lawson.)

A Clause (Index-linked loan capital)—(Mr. Nigel Lawson)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Nominees and approved investment funds)—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Exemption for interest on damages for personal injuries)—(Mr. Leon Brittan)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Capital Transfer Tax: Scottish agricultural leases (fixed terms))—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Capital Transfer Tax: Scottish agricultural leases (tacit relocation))—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Medical insurance and treatment)—(Mr. Nigel Lawson)—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. Carol Mather: 282.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank R. White, Mr. Donald Coleman: 215.
An Amendment ((a)) proposed to the proposed Clause, in line 13, at the end, to insert the words “except so far as it applies to members of the family or the household of the person employed”,—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.) Question put, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Clause.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. James Hamilton: 217.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 290.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Exemption from interest on overdue tax where sums due to the taxpayer are delayed by Civil Service industrial action)—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (National insurance surcharge)—(Mr. Peter Shore)—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. Frank R. White, Mr. George Morton: 216.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 292.

Another Clause (Tax avoidance and evasion)—(Mr. Robert Sheldon)—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 at this day’s sitting, the Friendly Societies Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Finance Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Debate resumed.

Question put.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank Haynes: 216.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 296.

Another Clause (Income tax on holiday pay)—(Mr. Robert Sheldon)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Value-added loan stocks)—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams)—brought up and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

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Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Report on costs to organisations for disabled of increase in value-added tax)—(Mr. Alfred Morris)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section 46 of the Finance Act 1980)—(Mr. Grimond) 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 (Savings-related share option scheme)—(Sir 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 (Exemption from tax on mobility allowances)—(Sir David Price)—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 (Graduated scheme of Corporation Tax without marginal rate penalty)—(Mr. John Loveridge)—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 6) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 5, at the end, to insert the words—

"(1A) In section 11(1)(b) of that Act (rebate on aviation turbine fuel and heavy oil other than kerosene at rate of £0.0077 a litre less than the rate at which duty is for the time being chargeable) for ' £0.0077 ' there shall be substituted ' £0.00155 ' ".—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 9 to 18) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr. John Cope.)

Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, to be further considered this day.

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries,—Resolved, That the draft Pool Competitions Act 1971 (Continuance) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 21st May, be approved.—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)

Friendly Societies Bill,—The Friendly Societies Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Peter Brooke 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.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes past Four o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 4.2 a.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 14th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 29th June 1981, and
(2) 3rd July 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Race Relations,—Copy of the Report of the Commission for Racial Equality for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 399].
Sir Ian Gilmour:


Treaty Series (No. 50, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at London on 14th April 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Canada, amending the Agreement for air services between and beyond their respective territories, signed on 19th August 1949, as amended by Exchanges of Notes dated 18th August 1958 and 6th September 1960 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8291].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Gas,—Copy of the Report of the National Gas Consumers' Council for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industry and Trade,—Copy of the Government's Reply to the Second Report from the Industry and Trade Committee, Session 1980-1, on Concorde [by Command] [Cmnd. 8308].

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—

(1) electrical machinery,
(2) leather goods, and
(3) valves

[by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture,—Copy of the Report on wages in agriculture for 1980 [by Act].

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


Wednesday, 15th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the British Railways Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Ullapool Pier Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Ullapool Pier 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 D).

Milford Docks 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 Milford Docks 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.

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 draft Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 was referred, that they had gone through the Order, 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
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. 432].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 432].

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 Broadcasting Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred. That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report the Minutes of 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. 433].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 433].

Defence,—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 362-v].

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-xii].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [Industrial Energy Pricing Policy].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 422].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 422].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy 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 Evidence taken before them on 15th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 321-iv].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Thirtieth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxx].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxx].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Francis Pym 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 had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Accommodation and Administration Sub-Committee on 3rd March, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 428].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Francis Pym 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. 429].

Industry and Trade,—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report) [European Air Fares].
Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 431].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 431].

Procedure (Supply).—Mr. Terence L. Higgins reported from the Procedure (Supply) Committee, 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 118].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 118].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-xiii].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Welsh Grand Committee.—Dr. Ifor Davies reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That they had considered the matter of the Welsh Development Agency, referred to them on 6th July, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 434].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981 and the draft European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 30th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 430].

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

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

Transport Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Transport Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 187].

House of Commons (Services).—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 15th July to be printed [No. 46-v].

Mr. Ron Brown, Member for Edinburgh, Leith, having conducted himself in a grossly disorderly manner, was named by Mr. Speaker pursuant to Standing Order No. 24 (Order in debate).

Ordered, That Mr. Ron Brown be suspended from the service of the House.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)

Representation of the People (No. 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require any person who has given up membership of the House of Commons in order to take office as a member or employee of the European Economic Commission and who then seeks re-election to the House of Commons to declare on the ballot paper all the extra remuneration which he has received or is receiving as a result of his membership or employment by the European Economic Commission; and for connected purposes—(Mr. Dennis Canavan):

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. Bob Cryer, Mr. Russell Kerr: 119.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Atkins, Mr. John Mackay: 203.

So the Question was negatived.
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. 21) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 9, at the end to insert the words " except for widows' bereavement allowance which shall be £800 for the year 1981-82 ".—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank Haynes : 209.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Anthony Berry : 275.

Another Amendment (No. 21) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 9, at the end, to insert the words—

" (1A) Section 8 of the Taxes Act (personal relief) shall apply for 1982-83 as if each amount specified in that section were increased by an amount equal to the aggregate of the increases that would be otherwise payable under the said section 24(5) in respect of the years 1981-82 and 1982-83 ".—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank R. White : 193.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Carol Mather : 273.

Another Amendment (No. 24) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 9, at the end, to insert the words—

" (1A) In subsection (1A) of section 8 of the Taxes Act (personal relief) there shall be inserted after " upwards " the words " or that she was at any time within the year of assessment of the age of sixty and in receipt of a Category A retirement pension under subsection (1) of section 28 of the Social Security Act 1975 " ".—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Joe Dean : 195.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Carol Mather : 276.

Another Amendment (No. 27) proposed to the Bill, in page 15, line 42, at the end, to insert the words " less any sum deducted under subsection (1)(b) of section 6 of the Social Security (No. 2) Act 1980 " .—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank R. White : 178.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 271.

Another Amendment (No. 28) proposed to the Bill, in page 16, line 10, after the word " of ", to insert the words " six-sevenths of ".—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. James Tinn : 189.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 279.

Another Amendment (No. 32) proposed to the Bill, in page 17, line 33, after the word " assessment ", to insert the words " less than £50 " .—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. Allen McKay : 195.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Carol Mather : 276.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, consideration of Lords Amendments to the Iron and Steel Bill and consideration of Lords Amendments to the Criminal Attempts Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour. —(Mr. Donald Thompson.)

Finance Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.
Other Amendments (Nos. 33, 36, 39, 42, 44 and 45) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 47) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 26, at the end, to insert the words—

"(9)(a) Where a payment is made to an employee which, on the application of the person making or receiving the payment or both of them, is determined by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue to be a payment made upon a redundancy but not one which falls within section 412 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 the payment shall not be chargeable to income tax under Schedule E except under the provisions of section 187 of the said Income and Corporation Taxes Act.

(b) In determining under paragraph (a) above whether or not a payment is a payment upon a redundancy the Commissioners shall have regard to all the circumstances surrounding the making of the payment.

(c) A person who has made an application under paragraph (a) above and who is dissatisfied with the decision of the Commissioners may appeal to the General or Special Commissioners to determine whether or not the payment in question is a payment upon a redundancy.”—(Sir William Clark.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 49) proposed to the Bill, in page 148, line 38, to leave out from the word “is” to the end of line 40, and insert the words “negligible in comparison with their scale for previous periods of account beginning not more than six years before the first mentioned period and continues to be so negligible during subsequent periods of account beginning not more than six years after the first mentioned period”, instead thereof.—(Sir William Clark.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 50, 52 and 53) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 54) proposed to the Bill, in page 159, line 10, to leave out sub-paragraph (3), and insert the words—

“(3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (2)(a) above the value of the person’s trading stock at the end of the period of account in respect of which the relief is given shall be reduced by multiplying it by the fraction of which—

(a) the numerator is the figure given by the all stocks index for the month containing the last day before the beginning of that period; and

(b) the denominator is the figure given by that index for the month containing the last day of that period.”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Nigel Lawson.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Anthony Berry: 260.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. Richard Wainwright: 12.

Other Amendments (Nos. 55 to 59) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 71) proposed to the Bill, in page 31, line 9, to leave out from the beginning to the word “corporate” in line 10, and insert the words “that body corporate has control of, or is controlled by, another body corporate or both are under the control of the same person or persons within the meaning of section 534 below”, instead thereof.—(Sir Graham Page.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 221) proposed to the Bill, in page 33, line 2, after the word “year”, to insert the words “nor by virtue of section 76 of this Act been treated as his chargeable gains”.—(Sir Graham Page.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 224) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 213) proposed to the Bill, in page 34, line 38, after the word “him”, to insert the words “on or after 10th March 1981”.—(Sir Graham Page.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 75 to 79) made to the Bill.
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Another Amendment (No. 80) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 82) proposed to the Bill, in page 41, line 20, to leave out from the word “issued” to the end of line 13 on page 43.—(Mr. John Browne.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 83) proposed to the Bill, in page 41, line 25, after “(a)”, to insert the words “subject to subsection (3) below”.—(Mr. Richard Wainwright.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. David Alton: 6.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Peter Brooke: 176.

Other Amendments (Nos. 88 to 92, 94 to 96, 98 to 106, 108 to 120, 122, 123 and 125 to 127) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 128) proposed to the Bill, in page 59, line 14, to leave out from the word “shall” to the end of line 18, and insert the words “on notifying the Board of the amount of such unrecovered income tax, be discharged from any liability to account for it to the Board, and all such consequences shall follow as if there had been made on the employee on such date as he is notified by the inspector of the amount so unrecovered an assessment under Schedule E to the best of the inspector’s judgment under the amount of tax charged on the employee is the amount so unrecovered”, instead thereof.—(Sir William Clark.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 131) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 133) proposed to the Bill, in page 60, line 16, at the end, to insert the words “other than a travel concession provided by a transport undertaking to its employees”.—(Mr. Robin F. Cook.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 134, 136, 139, 140 and 142) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 144) proposed to the Bill, in page 62, line 25, at the end, to insert the words—

“1(A) Paragraph 1 of the said Schedule 6 shall be further amended by substituting for the words “one-fifth” the words “30 per cent.”.—(Mr. Anthony Grant.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 145, 146, 149, 151, 225 and 152 to 154) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 155) proposed to the Bill, in page 76, line 26, to leave out from the beginning to the end of line 10 on page 77, and insert the words—

“(2) Subsection (1) above shall not apply to the acquisition of an asset if—

(a) there is no corresponding disposal of it, and

(b) there is no consideration in money or money’s worth or the consideration is of an amount or value lower than the market value of the asset”, instead thereof.—(Sir William Clark.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 156, 158 and 159) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 161) proposed to the Bill, in page 77, line 36, at the end, to insert the words “but nothing in this proviso shall apply where the reorganisation was effected in relation to shares of a company which are quoted on a recognised stock exchange”.—(Sir William Clark.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 165) proposed to the Bill, in page 79, line 13, to leave out the word “ten” and insert the word “twenty”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 208) proposed to the Bill, in page 170, line 38, after the word “occupation”, to insert the words “of the woodland”.—(Mr. W. Benyon.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Other Amendments (Nos. 169 to 172, 174 and 177) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 229) proposed to the Bill, in page 100, line 28, to leave out the words "and 30th June 1982".—(Mr. Tim Eggar.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 178) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 179) proposed to the Bill, in page 107, line 13, after the word "person", to insert the words "a dependent relative or an adult member of his family as defined by section 15(3) of the Development Land Tax Act 1976".—(Sir Graham Page.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 180) proposed to the Bill, in page 107, line 24, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) For the purposes of this section a person carrying on a trade who is a lessor of tied premises shall be treated as occupying those premises.

This subsection shall be construed in accordance with section 140(2) of the Taxes Act (income tax and corporation tax on tied premises)."—(Mr. Paul Dean.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 249 and 182 to 187) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Relief for Investment in New Corporate Trades: Wholesale and Retail Distribution)—(Mr. Nigel Lawson)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Schedule (Capital Transfer Tax: Scottish Agricultural Leases)—(Mr. Nigel Lawson)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Other Amendments (Nos. 195 to 197) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Iron and Steel Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Iron and Steel Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Criminal Attempts Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Criminal Attempts Bill; and the same were agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes to Five o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Adjourned at 4.53 a.m.

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APPENDIX I

Wednesday 15th July 1981.

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Experiments on Living Animals.—Copy of Statistics of experiments performed on living animals in Great Britain in 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8301].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:


Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons.—Copy of the Report on research and development work on equipment for the disabled for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 401].

National Assistance Services.—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th July 1981, entitled the National Assistance (Charges for Accommodation) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 968) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Copyright.—Copy of a Consultative Document on reform of the law relating to copyright, designs and performers' protection [by Command] [Cmnd. 8302].

Prices.—Copy of an Order, dated 15th July 1981, entitled the Butter and Concentrated Butter Prices (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1019) [by Act].
Mr. Peter Walker:

Fees and Charges.—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th July 1981, entitled the Agricultural or Forestry Tractors and Tractor Components (Type Approval) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 969) [by Act].

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

Civil Aviation.—Copy of the Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 426].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981, viz.: Mr. Vivian Bendall, Mr. John Butcher, Mr. Derek Foster, Mr. John Garrett, Mr. David Ginsburg, Mr. John Heddle, Mr. Bill Homewood, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Ralph Howell, Mr. Nigel Lawson, Mr. Mark Lennox-Boyd, Mr. John Major, Mr. David Marshall, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Ernie Roberts, Mr. Neil Thorne, and Mr. Ken Weetch.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981 and the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Jack Aspinwall, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. David Crouch, Mr. Alan Fitch, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. Michael McGuire, Mr. Tony Marlow, Mr. John Page, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. Reg Race, Mr. Tim Renton, Mr. Michael Spicer, Mr. Robin Squire, Mr. Michael Welsh, Mr. David Winnick, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981 and the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981 to the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.

[No. 143.]

Thursday, 16th July, 1981.

The House met at half past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Humberside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 21st July.

Ullapool Pier Order Confirmation Bill.—The Ullapool Pier Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

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

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report) [Mexico Summit: The British Government’s rôle in the light of the Brandt Commission Report].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 211].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 211].
Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, that they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House; and directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixth Report) [Rôle of British aid in the economic development of Zimbabwe].

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 117].

Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 117].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 117].

Selection,—Mr. Philip Holland 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 the Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) Act 1946 and related enactments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to new towns and connected matters being (except for section 43 of the New Towns Act 1965 and sections 126 and 127 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 and certain related provisions) enactments which apply only to England and Wales; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [New Towns Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Trustee Savings Banks Acts 1969 to 1978, 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 [Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1968 concerning general vesting declarations, and related enactments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Forgery and Counterfeiting Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords].—The Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 188].

New Towns Bill [Lords].—The New Towns Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 192].

Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords].—The Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 190].

Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords].—The Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 191].

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Films (Quotas) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton);

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

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion in the name of the Prime Minister for the Adjournment of the House may be proceeded with, though opposed, until Twelve o'clock.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant.)

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

And it being Twelve o'clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings; and the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.
Friday, 17th July, 1981:

County Courts.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 26th June, be approved.—(Mr. John Wakeham):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes past Twelve o’clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.28 a.m.]

APPENDIX I
Thursday 16th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Broadcasting.—Statements of determination of the salaries of—
(1) the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the Independent Broadcasting Authority, and
(2) the Chairman and members of the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority
[by Act].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

British Council.—Statement of indemnities for the loss of objects borrowed by the British Council [by Command].


Treaty Series (No. 52, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Maseru on 13th March 1981 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho, amending and extending the Overseas Service (Lesotho) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/76 (The Overseas Service (Lesotho) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/81) [by Command] [Cmd. 8294].


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th July 1981, entitled the Teachers Colleges of Education (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1017) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Distributive Industry Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Iron and Steel,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) British Steel Corporation (General Steels) Exports Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(2) British Steel Corporation (Property) Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(3) British Steel Corporation (U.K.) Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(4) British Structural Steel Company Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(5) Hartlepool Workshops Limited for the period from 9th October 1979 to 29th March 1980,
(6) Herringshaw Steels Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(7) Ore Carriers Limited for the period 21st October 1978 to 30th March 1979,
(8) Spray Steelmaking Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980, and
(9) Workington Harbour and Dock Company Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980

[by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. John Garrett (nominated in respect of the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Robin F. Cook.

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Reg Race (nominated in respect of the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981 and the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ernie Ross.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 16th July 1981

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. James Lomond Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981; and Mr. R. C. Mitchell Chairman of the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981 and the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981.

Friday, 17th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Education, Science and Arts,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Flowers to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee.—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Industrial Investment (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 23rd June, be approved.—(Mr. Adam Butler.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 13th April, be approved.—(Mr. Adam Butler.)

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Appropriation (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 17th June, be approved.—(Mr. Michael Alison.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 4.23 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Friday 17th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 15th July 1981 on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Carpet Industry Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Harbours,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th June 1981, entitled the Portsmouth Mile End Quay Revision Order 1981; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

[No. 145.]


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.

Milford Docks Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the Milford Docks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

East Sussex Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the East Sussex Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Amendments made to the Bill.

Bill to be read the third time.

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

Lloyd's Bill,—Ordered, That the Committee on the Lloyd's Bill have leave to make a Special Report.

Mr. Michael Meacher reported from the Committee on the Lloyd's Bill, 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, as follows:

1. Your Committee have sat for seven days and heard evidence adduced by the Promoters of the Lloyd's Bill and by the Petitioners against the Bill. They have carefully considered the evidence of the parties. They have also been keenly aware of their responsibility, on a Bill of this importance, to ensure that regard is had to the public interest. They have come to the conclusion that several important Amendments need to be made to the Bill.

2. One matter which has concerned Your Committee is the conflict of interest which arises where a Lloyd's broker has control of a managing agency underwriting at Lloyd's (or vice versa). An Amendment to provide for the compulsory separation of broking concerns and managing agents is necessary in the public interest. Such an Amendment would however extend the scope of the Bill and can only be made by means of a petition for additional provision. The Promoters of the Bill, having consulted the members of Lloyd's, have agreed to seek such an additional provision.

3. It is not practicable to complete the necessary procedures before the end of the present Session. Your Committee therefore recommend that any further proceeding on the Lloyd's Bill be suspended in order that it may be proceeded with in the next Session.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed.
Private Bills (Absence of a Member).—Mr. Michael Meacher reported from the Committee on the Lloyd's Bill, That Mr. Reg Race, one of the members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day, and that a message had been received on his behalf stating that he was unable, on account of illness, to attend the Committee.

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 110-xvi].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report) [The Prison Service].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 412].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 412].

Home Affairs.—Sir Graham Page reported from the Home Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table.

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 15th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 360-v].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Armed Forces Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Northumbrian Water Authority Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Education, Science and Arts.—The Lords give leave to the Lord Flowers to attend to be examined as a witness before the Education, Science and Arts Committee, if his Lordship thinks fit.

Armed Forces Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Armed Forces Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 194].

Sex Shops (Control) Bill.—Mr. John Wells presented a Bill to enable local authorities to register and control sex shops: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 193].

Education in Prisons Bill.—Mr. Harry Greenway presented a Bill to require the provision of educational facilities in prisons and other custodial institutions; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday and to be printed [Bill 189].

Community Budget.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the Preliminary Draft Amending Budget No. 1 to the General Budget of the European Communities for 1981, and the Preliminary Draft General Budget of the European Communities for 1982 (Mr. Nigel Lawson): An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "calls upon Her Majesty's Government not to approve the Preliminary Draft Amending Budget No. 1..."
to the General Budget of the European Communities for 1981, nor the Preliminary Draft General Budget of the European Communities for 1982, as they make no basic reform in the EEC Budget arrangements or in the Common Agricultural Policy, fail to achieve a broad balance between the United Kingdom's contributions and receipts, make inadequate provisions for regional, industrial and social policies and continue to commit over 60 per cent. of the Community's total expenditure to the support of the Common Agricultural Policy", instead thereof. (Mr. Peter Shore.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ronald Leighton, Mr. James Hamilton : 219.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 301.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Preliminary Draft Amending Budget No. 1 to the General Budget of the European Communities for 1981, and the Preliminary Draft General Budget of the European Communities for 1982.

Finance Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Leon Brittan, 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;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 279.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Mr. Frank Haynes : 236.

So the Question was agreed to.

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

Hygiene in Poultry Slaughterhouses.—Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 5704/81 amending Directive 71/118 concerning hygiene in poultry slaughterhouses and supports Her Majesty's Government's objective of removing inequalities between Member States in the implementation of that Directive. (Mr. Jerry Wiggin.)

International Immunities and Privileges.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd June, be approved.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant);—It was agreed to.

International Immunities and Privileges.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts (Immunities and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd June, be approved.—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant);—It was agreed to.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Gordon William Harris for a free pardon 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. Spencer Le Marchant);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 21st July, 1981:

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 Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Adjourned at 12.10 a.m.
APPENDIX I

Monday 20th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 6th July 1981,
(2) 9th July 1981,
(3) 10th July 1981, and
(4) 13th July 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Home Affairs,—Copy of the Government's Reply to the Third Report from the Home Affairs Committee, Session 1980-81, on vagrancy offences [by Command] [Cmnd. 8311].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th June 1981, entitled the Education Authority Bursaries (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 966) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Industrial Training,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) the Chemical and Allied Products Industry Training Board, and
(2) the Rubber and Plastics Processing Industry Training Board
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
Population Censuses and Surveys,—Copy of the Review of the Registrar General on deaths by area of usual residence in England and Wales in 1979 [by Act].
Social Security,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements and Conditions of Entitlement) Amendment Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Civil Aviation,—Copy of a translation of the Report of the Spanish Civil Aviation Accident Commission on the accident to Boeing 727 G-BDAN on Tenerife, Canary Islands on 25th April 1980 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Mr. Peter Walker:
Food and Drugs,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th July 1981, entitled the Milk (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) (Variation) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1027) [by Act].
Sea Fish Industry,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the White Fish Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., Mr. Jack Straw (nominated in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981).
Tuesday, 21st July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the United Reformed Church Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be considered to-morrow.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Humberside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday.

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

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-ninth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xliv].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report) [The Legal Immunities of Trade Unions and other related matters—The Green Paper on Trade Union Immunities].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 282].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 282].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them.

Memorandum to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 443].

Energy.—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 20th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 352-v].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Overseas Development Sub-Committee on 21st July, together with an Appendix.

Minutes of Evidence and Appendix to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 421-ii].

Memoranda laid upon the Table on 14th July to be printed [No. 421-ii].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-fourth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxv].
Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. James Lamond reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981, referred to a Committee on 14th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 440].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Michael English reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 7th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 442].

New Member sworn.—Eric Douglas Harvey Hoyle, Esquire, Member for Warrington, was sworn.

Business of the House.—Ordered. That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted Business) and Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), if proceedings on the Motions relating to Local Government (Scotland) have not been disposed of by Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker shall thereupon put forthwith any Question already proposed, and shall then put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the remaining Motions.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Teachers Colleges of Education (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1017) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 909) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Statutory Instruments, &c.—Ordered, That the Education (School Governing Bodies) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 809) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

European Community Documents.—Ordered, That European Community Document No. 11895/80, concerning European Communities interregional air services, be referred to a Standing Committee on European Community Documents.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

British Broadcasting Corporation (External Services).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a Royal Commission on the British Broadcasting Corporation's external services; and for connected purposes.—(Mr. Greville Janner);

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):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greville Janner, Mr. Julian Critchley, Mr. Frank Field, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. David Ginsburg, Sir Anthony Kershaw, Mr. Kenneth Lewis, Mr. Edward Lyons, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr. Barry Sheerman, and Mr. Clive Soley, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

British Broadcasting Corporation (External Services) Bill.—Mr. Greville Janner accordingly presented a Bill to establish a Royal Commission on the British Broadcasting Corporation's external services; 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 195].

Supply [28th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the business of Supply.

Local Government (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Report on the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Lothian Region) 1981-82, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Younger.)

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry: 302.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank R. White: 245.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report on the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Lothian Region) 1981-82, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th July, be approved.
And it being after Ten o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the
Order this day, to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the remaining
Motions relating to Local Government (Scotland).

Local Government (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put,
That the Report on the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Dundee and Stirling Districts)
1981-82, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th July, in respect of Dundee
District, be approved—(Mr Secretary Younger);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 302.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Allen McKay : 242.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report on the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Dundee and
Stirling Districts) 1981-82, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th July, in
respect of Dundee District, be approved.

Local Government (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put,
That the Report on the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Dundee and Stirling Districts)
1981-82, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th July, in respect of Stirling
District, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Younger);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Anthony Berry : 301.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joe Dean, Mr. George Morton : 241.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Report on the Rate Support Grant Reduction (Dundee and Stirl-
ing Districts) 1981-82, a copy of which was laid before this House on 10th July, in
respect of Stirling District, be approved.

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and
Western Ferries (Argyll) Limited, which was laid before this House on 10th July, be
approved—(Mr. Secretary Younger);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday
morning;

Wednesday, 22nd July, 1981:

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);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 116.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Frank Haynes : 48.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and
Western Ferries (Argyll) Limited, which was laid before this House on 10th July, be
approved.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes to One
o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.46 a.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 21st July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Fire Services.—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Fire Services
for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8297].

Broadcasting.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Independent Broadcasting
Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].
Sir Ian Gilmour:

Treaty Series (No. 48, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Moscow on 23rd March 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on relations in the scientific, educational and cultural fields for 1981-83, with agreed Minute [by Command] [Cmnd. 8300].


Treaty Series (No. 55, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Suva on 26th March 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Fiji, amending and extending the Overseas Service (Fiji) (Continuance) Agreement 1971/76 (The Overseas Service (Fiji) Agreement 1971/81) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8298].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Food and Drugs,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th July 1981, entitled the Food (Meat Inspection) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 996) [by Act].

Tourism,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Tourist Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

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

Government Trading Funds,—Copy of the Accounts of the Royal Mint Trading Fund for the year ended 31st March 1981 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 439].

[No. 147.]

Wednesday, 22nd July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

United Reformed Church Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the United Reformed Church 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 Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means).

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

Public Accounts,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return containing an Epitome of the Reports from the Northern Ireland Committees of Public Accounts 1947 to 1971, and of the Northern Ireland Ministry of Finance Memoranda thereon, with an index for the period 1923 to 1971 relating to the Accounts for the years 1921-22 to 1969-70.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

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

Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The Second 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 Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true ; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto ; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House ; And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report, to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Education, Science and Arts,—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 110-xvii].
European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Thirty-first Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxxi].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxxi].

Foreign Affairs.—Sir Anthony Kershaw reported from the Foreign Affairs Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices, which they had directed him to make to the House; and had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventh Report) [Gibraltar: the situation of Gibraltar and United Kingdom relations with Spain].

Report, together with Appendices, and Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 166].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 166].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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. 444].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 445-i].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifteenth Report) [Financing of Nationalised Industries].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 349].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 349].

Public Accounts.—Mr. Joel Barnett reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 446-i].

Scottish Affairs.—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 22nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-xiv].

Selection.—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Services.—Mrs. Renée Short reported from the Social Services Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed her to make to the House; and had directed her to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 31].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 31].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Atomic Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the United Reformed Church Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Trade Union (Freedom of Association).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure the right of freedom of association in relation to trade unions so as to give effect to the European Convention
for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms; and for connected purposes—(Mr. Ivan Lawrence);

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. Paul Marland, Mr. Christopher Murphy: 114.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Kevin McNamara: 136.

So the Question was negatived.

Supply [29th 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. Spencer Le Marchant);

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Question which he was directed by paragraphs (7) and (11) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply) to put at that hour.

Defence and Civil Estimates, 1981 (Outstanding Votes)

The Question being put, That a sum, not exceeding £42,562,734,300, 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 on 31st March 1982, as set out in House of Commons Papers 190, 193, 266, 381, 382 and 405:—It was agreed to.

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. Leon Brittan, Mr. Nigel Lawson, and Mr. Peter Rees, do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.—Mr. Leon Brittan accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on 31st March 1982, 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 178].

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, the consideration of Lords Amendments in lieu of certain Commons Amendments to the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments in lieu of certain Commons Amendments to the Contempt of Court Bill [Lords].

Lords Amendment No. 1, in page 3, line 26, leave out “ subsections (2) and (3) ” and insert “ subsection (3) ”.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Attorney General);

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 Noes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Christopher Price: 2.

So the Question was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 2 and 3 were agreed to.

Industrial Development.—Resolved, That the draft Co-operative Development Agency (Grants) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 24th June, be approved.—(Mr. John MacGregor.)

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and Roderick Cunningham (Scalpay) Limited, which was laid before this House on 10th July, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)
Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Northern Shipping and Trading Company (Helmsdale) Limited, which was laid before this House on 10th July, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the draft Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and William Dennison (Shapinsay) Limited, which was laid before this House on 10th July, be approved.—(Mr. Malcolm Rifkind.)

Electricity.—Resolved, That the draft North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board (Compensation for Smelter Deficits) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 7th July, be approved.—(Mr. Alexander Fletcher.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—Debate arising;

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 one minute to Three o’clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.59 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 22nd July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Broadcasting.—Copy of a Royal Charter for the continuance of the British Broadcasting Corporation [by Command] [Cmdnd. 8313].

Police.—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Constabulary for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 409].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Crofters (Scotland).—Copy of the Report of the Crofters Commission for 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Co-operative Development Agency.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Co-operative Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 436].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Ancient and Historical Monuments.—Copy of the Report of the Ancient Monuments Board for England for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 414].

Enterprise Zones.— Copies of Orders, dated 14th July 1981, entitled—
(1) the Salford Docks Enterprise Zones Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1024), and
(2) the Trafford Park Enterprise Zones Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1025)
[by Act].

National Heritage Memorial Fund.—Copy of the Report of the National Heritage Memorial Fund for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 394].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Housing (Northern Ireland).—Copy of the Accounts of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Reports of the Local Government Auditor and the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [by Command] [Cmdnd. 8279].
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Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Mr. Peter Walker:

Agriculture,—Copy of the Report of the Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

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

Tourism,—Copies of the Accounts of the British Tourist Authority, the English Tourist Board, the Scottish Tourist Board and the Wales Tourist Board for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 447].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Guy Barnett, Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Peter Bottomley, Mr. John Browne, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Lawrence Cunliffe, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Robert McCrindle, Mr. Frank McElhone, Mr. Nell Marten, Mr. Christopher Murphy, Mr. Stanley Newens, Mr. Robert Rhodes James, Mr. William Shelton, Mr. John Wakeham, Mr. Bowen Wells, and Mr. Michael Welsh.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Films (Quotas) Order 1981, viz.: Mr. Nicholas Baker, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Kenneth Carlisle, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Don Dixon, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Ken Eastham, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. Austin Mitchell, Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, Mr. John Sever, Mr. Michael Splicer, Mr. Robin Squire, and Mr. Martin Stevens.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Teachers Colleges of Education (Scotland) Regulations 1981, viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. John Corrie, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. Alexander Fletcher, Mr. Peter Fraser, Mr. Norman Hogg, Mr. Russell Johnston, Mr. Ian Lang, Mr. William McKelvey, Mr. David Myles, Mr. Martin O'Neill, Mr. Alexander Pollock, Mr. George Robertson, Mr. Ernie Ross, and Mr. Iain Sproat.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1981 and the Education (School Governing Bodies) Regulations 1981, viz.: Mr. David Atkinson, Dr. Rhodes Boyson, Mr. Tim Brinton, Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Frank Field, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. Harry Greenway, Mr. Alan Haselhurst, Mr. Robert Litherland, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Nigel Spearing, Mr. Malcolm Thornton, Mr. Philip Whitehead, Mr. Dafydd Wigley, Mr. Nicholas Winterton, and Mrs. Sheila Wright.

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. Philip Holland reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Seventeen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents in respect of European Document No. 11895/80, viz.: Mr. Robert Atkins, Mr. Churchill, Mr. John Cope, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. John Fraser, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. Douglas Jay, Mr. Peter Lloyd, Mr. Iain Mills, Mr. Raymond Powell, Mr. Richard Shepherd, Mr. Tom Orwin, Mr. Ray Whitney, Mr. John Wilkinson, Mr. Ken Woolmer, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.;
the Films (Quotas) Order 1981 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the Teachers Colleges of Education (Scotland) Regulations 1981 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1981 and the Education (School Governing Bodies) Regulations 1981 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.; and European Community Document No 11895/80 to the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents.

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

PRAYERS.

Northumbrian Water Authority Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Northumbrian Water Authority Bill; and the same were agreed to.

East Sussex Bill [Lords].—A Motion being made, That the East Sussex Bill [Lords] 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.

Milford Docks Bill [Lords].—The Milford Docks Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Humberside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday 30th July.

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

Agriculture, Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture Committee, That they had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table.

Education, Science and Arts, Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 23rd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 449-i].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 21st and 22nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 452 and 321-v].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixteenth Report) [Her Majesty's Stationery Office: Trading Operations].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 370].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 370].

Welsh Affairs,—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, 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) [Broadcasting in the Welsh Language and the implications for Welsh-and non-Welsh-speaking viewers and listeners].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 488].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 448].
Welsh Affairs.—Mr. Leo Abse reported from the Committee on Welsh Affairs, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them between 29th October 1980 and 24th March 1981 and on 6th May 1981.

Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 28-xvi].

Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. R. C. Mitchell reported from the Sixth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981 and the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 14th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 451].

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 East Sussex Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Milford Docks Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Water and Drainage Rates (Property Exemptions) Bill.—Mr. Gerrard Neale presented a Bill to exempt domestic and commercial premises without any mains water or mains drainage services provided by the appropriate local water authority from being charged water and drainage rates and to regulate the method of charging general and water rates on small business premises used partly as residential premises: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 196].

Adjournment (Royal Wedding and Summer).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That—

(1) this House at its rising on Tuesday 28th July do adjourn till Thursday 30th July and at its rising on Friday 31st July do adjourn till Monday 19th October.

(2) on Friday 31st July, upon a Motion being made by a Minister of the Crown at the conclusion of Government business, That this House do now adjourn, Mr. Speaker shall not interrupt the proceedings thereon until the expiration of five hours after their commencement, and

(3) this House shall not adjourn on that day until Mr. Speaker shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts which have been agreed upon by both Houses—(Mr. Spencer Le Marchant);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 3, to leave out from the word “rising” to the word “on” in line 4.—(Mr. Bob Cryer.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert C. Brown, Mr. Bob Cryer: 14.


So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That—

(1) this House at its rising on Tuesday 28th July do adjourn till Thursday 30th July and at its rising on Friday 31st July do adjourn till Monday 19th October,

(2) on Friday 31st July, upon a Motion being made by a Minister of the Crown at the conclusion of Government business, That this House do now adjourn, Mr. Speaker shall not interrupt the proceedings thereon until the expiration of five hours after their commencement, and

(3) this House shall not adjourn on that day until Mr. Speaker shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts which have been agreed upon by both Houses.

Business of the House.—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 (Appropriation) Bill may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting.—(Mr. John Stradling Thomas)

Fiji (Gift of a Clerk’s Table).—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 Clerk’s Table to the House of Representatives of Fiji, and assuring Her Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

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.
Vanuatu (Independence Gift).—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 Speaker’s Gavel and Desk Set to the Parliament of Vanuatu, and assuring Her Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

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.

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 Friday morning:

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

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

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.

Schedules A, B and C agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Tony Newton 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.

Building Societies.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Building Societies (Authorisation) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 30th June, be approved.—(Mr. Tony Newton):—It was agreed to.

Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 5th June.—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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 Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 5th June.—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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 Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That
an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 5th June—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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 Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 5th June—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes to Nine o’clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 8.42 a.m.

APPENDIX

Thursday 23rd July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Food (Miscellaneous No. 17, 1981),—Copy of Protocols, open for signature at Washington from 24th March to 15th May 1981, for the Sixth Extension of the Wheat Trade Convention 1971 and the First Extension of the Food Aid Convention 1980, constituting the International Wheat Agreement 1971 (the Protocols have not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8303].

Papua New Guinea (No. 1, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 14th May 1981, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea for the promotion and protection of investments (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8307].

Treaty Series (No. 47, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Moscow on 20th February 1981, supplementary to the Air Services Agreement, signed at London on 19th December 1957, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [by Command] [Cmnd. 8305].


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Rating and Valuation,—Copies of Regulations, dated 20th July 1981, entitled—
(1) the Rating (Repayment Procedures etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1045), and
(2) the Rating (Timetable and Procedures) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1046)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:


Mr. Secretary Prior:

Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Wool, Jute and Flax Industry Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Civil Aviation,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Airports Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Development,—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty’s Development Commissioners for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 420].


Mr. Secretary Edwards:


Mr. Secretary Atkins:

Public Accounts,—Return to an Order [22nd July] for a Return containing an Epitome of the Reports from the Northern Ireland Committees of Public Accounts 1947 to 1971, and of the Northern Ireland Ministry of Finance Memoranda thereon, with an index for the period 1923 to 1971 relating to the Accounts for the years 1921-22 to 1969-70 ; to be printed [No. 384].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Energy,—Copy of the Government’s Reply to the First Report from the Select Committee on Energy, Session 1980-81, on the nuclear power programme [by Command] [Cmnd. 8317].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:


Mr. Peter Walker:


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 they had taken into consideration the Petitions presented against the Redcar-Marske-Saltburn Compulsory Purchase Order 1979 ; that they had determined that the Save the Stray Committee had no locus standi in the matter and that their Petitions were not proper to be received ; and that they had determined that the Petition of the Marske Residents Association was not proper to be received [by Act].

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


MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Ted Leadbitter Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981 ; Mr. Victor Goodhew Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Films (Quotas) Order 1981 ; Dr. Edmund Marshall Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Teachers Colleges of Education (Scotland) Regulations 1981 ; Sir Albert Costain Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., in respect of the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1981 and the Education (School Governing Bodies) Regulations 1981 ; and Mr. R. Bonner Pink Chairman of the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents, in respect of Document No. 11895/80.
Report for the Vote to be prepared along the lines of Item 13 of 1986-87 and p. (480 of 1987-88). Check with Roger Willoughby — it will probably be set out as
Report by.....etc.

Petitions presented against the.....CR

by:

a. ......

b. ......

and that they had certified the Petitions as
proper......and as Petitions of Gen. Object etc.

and that they had determined that the Petition of......

had no locus standi......etc.
PRAYERS.

Marriage of His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales to the Lady Diana Spencer,—The Prime Minister reported to the House, That their Address of 14th July relating to the Marriage of His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales to the Lady Diana Spencer 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 thank you most sincerely for your loyal and dutiful Address of congratulations on the forthcoming marriage of my beloved son to the Lady Diana Spencer. The Duke of Edinburgh and I have been greatly touched by the countless messages of good wishes which The Prince of Wales and Lady Diana have received from all parts of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth on this happy occasion.

We much appreciate this latest example of the close link between Parliament and the Crown. You have once again shown your interest in the well-being of our family. With you we pray that the marriage will be blessed with good health and every happiness.

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom for legislation to control the spread of sex shops 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).

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

Science and Technology,—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to give leave to Neil Macfarlane, Esquire, a Member of their House, to attend to be examined as a witness before Sub-Committee I (Science and Government) of the Select Committee appointed by the Lords on Science and Technology.

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

And it being half-past Two o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

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

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

APPENDIX

Friday 24th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 16th July 1981, and
(2) 17th July 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd July 1981, entitled the Grant-Aided Colleges (Compensation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1054) [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th April 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Superannuation) (War Service, etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1018) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Museums and Galleries,—Copy of a Statement of increase in the value of indemnities for loss of objects loaned to the National Gallery [by Command].
Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Homes Insulation,—Copy of an Amendment, entitled the Homes Insulation Scheme 1980 Amendment (No. 1) 1981 [by Act].

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

House of Commons Members' Fund,—Copy of the Accounts of the House of Commons Members' Fund for the year ended 30th September 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 453].


PRAYERS.

Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Lloyd's Bill,—Ordered, That the Promoters of the Lloyd's Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid;

That on the fifth day on which the House sits in the next Session the Bill shall be presented to the House;

That there shall be deposited with the Bill a Declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was presented in the present Session;

That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first and second time and committed (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read and committed);

That all Petitions against the Bill presented in the present Session which stand referred to the Committee on the Bill shall stand referred to the Committee on the Bill in the next Session;

That no Petitioners shall be heard before the Committee on the Bill, unless their Petition has been presented within the time limited within the present Session or deposited pursuant to paragraph (b) of Standing Order 126 relating to Private Business;

That in relation to the Bill, Standing Order 127 relating to Private Business shall have effect as if the words "under Standing Order 126 (Reference to committee of petitions against bill)" were omitted;

That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session.

Ordered, That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House. (The Second Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

To be communicated to the Lords, and their concurrence desired thereto.

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

Brixton Prison (Escapes),—Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty praying that she will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Report of an Inquiry by the Deputy Director-General of the Prison Service into the escape of three prisoners from Her Majesty's Prison, Brixton, on 16th December 1980.—(Mr. Patrick Mayhew.)
Public Accounts,—Mr. Joel Barnett 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventeenth Report) [Financial control and accountability in the National Health Service].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 255].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 255].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Eighth Report) [Financing of the Nationalised Industries].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 348].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 348].

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 Friendly Societies Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Belize Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Greater London Council (Money) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Employment and Training 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 Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Private Bills,—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolutions, to which they desire the concurrence of this House, viz.:

That the Promoters of the County of Avon Bill [Lords] and the Derbyshire Bill [Lords] have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereon, in order to proceed with the Bills, if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so be lodged in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than Three o'clock on the day before the close of the present Session, and that all fees due thereon up to that period shall have been paid;

That such Bills shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than Three o'clock on the third day on which the House shall sit after the commencement of the next Session of Parliament, with a declaration annexed to each, signed by the Agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in this House in the present Session;

That the proceedings on such Bills shall in the next Session of Parliament be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged to such stages;

That the Promoters of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill, the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill and the Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereon, in order to proceed with the Bills if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so be lodged in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than Three o'clock on the day before the close of the present Session, and that all fees due thereon up to that period shall have been paid;

That, if any of the Bills are brought from the Commons in the next Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a Declaration, signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Commons in the present Session;

That the proceedings on such Bill shall, in the next Session of Parliament, be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged in regard to such stages;
That the Standing Orders by which the proceedings on Bills are regulated shall not apply, in the next Session of Parliament, to such Bill in regard to any of the stages through which the same shall have passed during the present Session.

Employment and Training Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Employment and Training Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 197].

Science and Technology,—Ordered, That the Lords Message of 24th July requesting the attendance of Neil Macfarlane, Esquire, a Member of the House, before Sub-Committee I (Science and Government) of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on Science and Technology be now considered.

Lords Message considered accordingly.

Resolved, That Neil Macfarlane, Esquire, a Member of this House, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

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:


Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 4 (Prayers against statutory instruments, &c. (Negative procedure), the Motion relating to Gas may be proceeded with, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o'clock or for one and a half hours after it has been entered upon, whichever is the later, and Mr. Speaker shall then put any Questions necessary to dispose of proceedings thereon, if not previously concluded.—(Mr. Robert Boscawen.)

No Confidence in Her Majesty's Government,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House has no confidence in Her Majesty's Government whose economic and social policies are spreading mass unemployment, undermining British industry and demoralising the country.—(Mr. Michael Foot):—Debate arising;

Mr. Michael Cocks 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;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 262.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 334.

So the Question was negatived.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the consideration of Lords Amendments to the Armed Forces Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Thompson.)
Armed Forces Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Armed Forces Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Gas.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the British Gas Corporation (Disposal of Wytch Farm Oilfield Interests) Direction 1981, a draft of which was laid before this House on 26th June, be not made—(Mr. Ted Rowlands);

The House proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Allen McKay: 227.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Carol Mather: 289.

So the Question was negatived.

Coal Industry.—Resolved, That the draft Coal Industry (Limit on Grants) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd July, be approved.—(Mr. John Moore.)

Coal Industry.—Resolved, That the draft Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd July, be approved.—(Mr. John Moore.)

Transport [Money] (No. 3),—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Transport [Money] (No. 3):

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of this Session to make provision with respect to the disposal by the British Railways Board of part of their undertaking, property, rights and liabilities; to provide for the reconstitution of the British Transport Docks Board under the name of Associated British Ports and to confer on a company powers over that body corresponding to the powers of a holding company over a wholly-owned subsidiary; to dissolve the National Ports Council and amend the Harbours Act 1964; to make further provision for promoting road safety and for connected purposes; it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of grants to assist the provision of facilities for freight haulage by inland waterway.—(Mr. Carol Mather.)

Export Guarantees.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Foreign Currency Commitments) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd June, be approved—(Mr. Carol Mather):—It was agreed to.

Export Guarantees.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft Export Guarantees (Limit on Sterling Commitments) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 22nd June, be approved—(Mr. Carol Mather):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes to Two o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.54 a.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 27th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Coroners.—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd July 1981, entitled the Oxfordshire (Coroners' Districts) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1060) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Younger:

Food and Drugs,—Copies of Regulations, dated 16th July 1981, entitled—
(1) the Fresh Meat Export (Hygiene and Inspection) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1034), and
(2) the Imported Food (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1035)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Merchant Shipping,—Report by the Department of Trade of exemptions granted under section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906 and regulation 6 of the Merchant Shipping (United Kingdom Fishing Vessels: Manning) Regulations 1980, during 1980 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Mineral Exploration and Investment Grants,—Copy of the Report by the Secretary of State for Industry under section 1 of the Mineral Exploration and Investment Grants Act 1972 for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 437].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Housing,—Copy of the Report of the Housing Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Coal Industry,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Coal Board for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 6th July 1981, entitled the Removal and Disposal of Vehicles (Loading Areas) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 990), and
[by Act].

Mr. Barney Hayhoe:

Aliens' Employment,—Copy of a Civil Service Department Minute, dated 20th July 1981, relating to aliens employed in a civil capacity under the Crown during the year ended 31st March 1981, with a list giving particulars of certificates of employment issued under section 1 of the Aliens' Employment Act 1955 [by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:

Law Commissions,—Copy of a Report of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission on Council of Europe Conventions on foreign money liabilities (1967) and on the place of payment of money liabilities (1972) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8318].

[No. 151.]

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

PRAYERS.

Fiji (Gift of a Clerk's Table).—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of 23rd July relating to Fiji (Gift of a Clerk's Table) 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 Clerk's Table to the House of Representatives of Fiji, and assuring me that your House will make good the expenses attending the same.

It gave me great pleasure to learn that your House desires to make such a presentation and I will gladly give directions for carrying your proposal into effect.
Vanuatu (Independence Gift)—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, that their Address of 23rd July relating to Vanuatu (Independence Gift) 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 Speaker's gavel and desk set to the House of Assembly of Vanuatu, and assuring me that your House will make good the expenses attending the same.

It gave me great 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 23rd 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 (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (China) Order 1981, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (India) Order 1981, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Mauritius) Order 1981, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Switzerland) Order 1981 and the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Thailand) Order 1981 be made in the form of drafts laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

Fermanagh and South Tyrone Writ—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County Constituency of Fermanagh and South Tyrone in the room of Bobby Sands, Esquire, deceased—(Mr. Dafydd Elis Thomas);

And the Motion being opposed, further proceeding stood postponed.

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

Statutory Instruments—Mr. Bob Cryer reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments, &c., that they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Thirty-first Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xlv].

Defence—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence 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. 461].

Energy—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 27th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 352-vi].

Environment—Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann reported from the Environment 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 Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report) [DoE's Housing policies: Enquiry into Government's Expenditure Plans 1981-82 to 1983-84 and the updating of the Committee's First Report for the Session 1979-80].

Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 383].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 383].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Thirty-second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and be printed [No. 32-xxxii].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxxiii].
Scottish Affairs,—Mr. Robert Hughes reported from the Committee on Scottish Affairs, That they had directed him to report Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 15th and 22nd July.

Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 182-xiii and xiv].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Ted Leadbitter reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 16th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 456].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Mr. Victor Goodhew reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Films (Quotas) Order 1981, referred to a Committee on 16th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 459].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Dr. Edmund Marshall reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Teachers Colleges of Education (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1017), referred to a Committee on 21st July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 457].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c.—Sir Albert Costain reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 909) and the Education (School Governing Bodies) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 809), referred to a Committee on 21st July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 458].

First Standing Committee on European Community Documents,—Mr. R. Bonner Pink reported from the First Standing Committee on European Community Documents, European Community Document No. 11895/80 relating to European Community Inter-regional Air Services, together with the following Resolution:

That this Committee takes note of European Community Document No. 11895/80, being a draft Council Regulation concerning the authorisation of scheduled interregional air services for passengers, mail and cargo between Member States, and of the Department of Trade's Explanatory Memorandum of 15th January 1981, and supports Her Majesty's Government's intention to negotiate arrangements which will lead to a more liberal regime in the interests of British travellers and airlines.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 462].

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 Supreme Court Bill (Lords), without Amendment.

Fermanagh and South Tyrone Writ.—The House resumed the postponed proceeding on the Question, 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 the County Constituency of Fermanagh and South Tyrone in the room of Bobby Sands, Esquire, deceased;

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

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 the County Constituency of Fermanagh and South Tyrone, in the room of Bobby Sands, Esquire, deceased.

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:

Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the Motion relating to Steel Industry with the substitution of One o'clock or three hours after it has been entered upon, whichever is the later, for the provisions in paragraph (1)(b) of the Standing Order.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Closed Churchyards.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the maintenance of closed churchyards: And that Mr. Raymond Ellis, Mrs. Ann Taylor, Mr. Dennis Skinner, Mr. John Prescott, Mr. Ray Fletchere, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Frank Allaun, Mr. Bob Cryer, Dr. John Cunningham, Mr. Harry Cowans, Mr. John McWilliam, and Mr. Allen Adams, do prepare and bring it in.

Closed Churchyards Bill.—Mr. Raymond Ellis accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law relating to the maintenance of closed churchyards: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday and to be printed [Bill 198].

Transport Bill (Allocation of Time),—Ordered, That the Order of the House [9th March] be supplemented as follows:

Lords Amendments

1. The proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall be completed at this day's sitting and, subject to the provisions of the Order of 9th March, each part of those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the second column of the Table set out below.

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2. Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings for one hour after 10 o'clock.

3. For the purposes of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 above—

(a) Mr. Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided and, if that Question is for the Amendment of a Lords Amendment, shall then put forthwith the Question on any further Amendment of the said Lords Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown and on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in the said Lords Amendment or, as the case may be, in the said Lords Amendment, as amended;

(b) Mr. Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining Lords Amendments as appear to him to involve questions of Privilege and shall—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown to a Lords Amendment and then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in their Amendment, or, as the case may be, in their Amendment, as amended;

(ii) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in their Amendment;

(iii) put forthwith with respect to each Amendment designated by Mr. Speaker which has not been disposed of the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment; and

(iv) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments;

(c) as soon as the House has agreed or disagreed with the Lords in any of their Amendments Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to that Lords Amendment.

Stages subsequent to first consideration of Lords Amendments

4. The proceedings on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill shall be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of the proceedings.

5. For the purpose of bringing those proceedings to a conclusion—

(a) Mr. Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided, and shall then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown which is related to the Question already proposed from the Chair.
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(b) Mr. Speaker shall then—

(i) put forthwith the Questions on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown on any item in the Lords Message;
(ii) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Proposals.

Supplemental

6.—(1) In this paragraph “the proceedings” means proceedings on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill, on the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons and the Report of such a Committee.

(2) Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the consideration forthwith of the Message or, as the case may be, for the appointment and quorum of the Committee.

(3) A Committee appointed to draw up Reasons shall report before the conclusion of the sitting at which they are appointed.

(4) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(5) No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings shall be made except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

(6) If the proceedings are interrupted by a Motion for the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on the Motion shall be added to the period at the end of which the proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion.—(Mr. Secretary Fowler.)

Transport Bill ( allotted day ),—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Transport Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 9 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 10, in page 20, line 6, at end insert

"(6) For the purpose of arresting a person under the power conferred by subsection (5) above a constable may enter (if need be by force) any place where that person is or where the constable, with reasonable cause, suspects him to be.

(7) Subsection (6) above does not extend to Scotland and nothing in that subsection shall affect any rule of law in Scotland concerning the right of a constable to enter any premises for any purpose ".

An Amendment was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 4, at the end, to insert the words " other than that person’s home and may enter a person’s home only when the constable, with reasonable cause, suspects him of having failed to report an accident in which he was involved in which a person was injured. For the purposes of this subsection a person’s home is his usual place of residence ".—(Mr. Albert Booth.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment ;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Hamilton : 131.


So the Question was negatived.

And it being after half-past Six o’clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order this day, to put forthwith the Question necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at that hour.

Lords Amendment No. 10 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 11 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 12, insert the following new Clause A—

Compulsory wearing of seat belts 1972 c. 20

“(1) After section 33 of the Road Traffic Act 1972 there shall be inserted the following section:—

“ Wearing of seat belts

33A.—(1) The Secretary of State may make regulations requiring, subject to such exceptions as may be prescribed, persons who are driving or riding in motor vehicles on a road to wear seat belts of such description as may be prescribed.

(2) Regulations under this section—

(a) may make different provision in relation to different classes of vehicles, different descriptions of persons and different circumstances;
(b) shall include exceptions for—

(i) the users of vehicles constructed or adapted for the delivery of goods or mail to consumers or addressees, as the case may be, while engaged in making local rounds of deliveries;

(ii) the drivers of vehicles while performing a manoeuvre which includes reversing;

(iii) any person holding a valid certificate signed by a medical practitioner to the effect that it is inadvisable on medical grounds for him to wear a seat belt;

(c) may make any prescribed exceptions subject to such conditions as may be prescribed; and

(d) may prescribe cases in which a fee of a prescribed amount may be charged on an application for any certificate required as a condition of any prescribed exception.

(3) Any person who drives or rides in a motor vehicle in contravention of regulations under this section shall be guilty of an offence; but notwithstanding any enactment or rule of law no person other than the person actually committing the contravention shall be guilty of an offence by reason of the contravention.

(4) If the holder of any such certificate as is referred to in subsection (2)(b) above is informed by a constable that he may be prosecuted for an offence under subsection (3) above, he shall not, in proceedings for that offence, be entitled to rely on the exception afforded to him by the certificate unless—

(a) it is produced to the constable at the time he is so informed; or

(b) within five days after the date on which he is so informed, it is produced at such police station as he may have specified to the constable.

(5) Regulations under this section requiring the wearing of seat belts by persons riding in motor vehicles shall not apply to children under the age of fourteen years (to whom the next following section applies)."

(2) In section 169 of the Road Traffic Act 1972 (forgery of documents etc.) in subsection (2) (documents to which that section applies) after paragraph (b) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—

"(bb) any certificate required as a condition of any exception prescribed under section 33A of this Act”.

(3) In section 199 of the Road Traffic Act 1972 (exercise of regulation-making powers and Parliamentary control) the following subsection is inserted after subsection (2)—

"(2A) The following provisions apply to regulations made under section 33A above—

(a) when the Secretary of State proposes to make the first regulations under that section he shall lay before each House of Parliament a statement explaining his proposals; and

(b) no draft of those first regulations shall be laid before Parliament for approval under subsection (4) below until after the expiration of the period of three months beginning with the day on which the statement was laid (or, if the statement was laid on different days, with the later of the two days); and

(c) at the end of the period of three years beginning with the day on which the first regulations under that section came into force, all regulations in force under that section shall expire unless their continuation in force has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.”

(4) In Part I of Schedule 4 to the Road Traffic Act 1972 (prosecution and punishment of offences) after the entry relating to section 33 there shall be inserted the following entry—

"33A. Driving or riding in a motor vehicle in contravention of regulations requiring wearing of seat belts. Summarily. £50. — Sections. 181 and 183 apply.”"
Lords Amendment No. 17 was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 18 to 25 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 26 was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 27 to 71 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 72 was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 73 and 74 were agreed to.

Steel Industry.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 7305/81 and 7847/81 on production quotas for steel, No. 7306/81 on state aids to the steel industry and No. 7825/81 on pricing rules for steel distributors; and welcomes the agreement reached in the Council of Ministers on 24th June as being in the interests of the steel industry—(Mr. Norman Tebbit);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning;

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An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out from the word “distributors” to the end of the Question and add the words “but declines to accept further reductions in steel manufacturing capacity in the United Kingdom”, instead thereof.—(Dr. John Cunningham.)

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

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

Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Documents Nos. 7305/81 and 7847/81 on production quotas for steel, No. 7306/81 on state aids to the steel industry and No. 7825/81 on pricing rules for steel distributors; and welcomes the agreement reached in the Council of Ministers on 24th June as being in the interests of the steel industry.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lord James Douglas-Hamilton):—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-two minutes past Two o’clock on Wednesday morning, till Thursday, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 23rd July.

[Adjourned at 2.22 a.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 28th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer:

Public Accounts,—Copy of the Government’s Reply to the First Special Report from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1980-81, on the role of the Controller and Auditor General [by Command] [Cmnd. 8323].

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Civil Aviation,—Statement of Guarantee, given by the Treasury on 24th July 1981, on loans raised by the British Airways Board [by Act].

Electricity,—Statements of Guarantees, given by the Treasury on—

(1) 23rd July 1981, and

(2) 23rd July 1981,
on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act].

Water,—Statement of Guarantee, given by the Treasury on 23rd July 1981, on loans raised by the South West Water Authority [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Younger:
Enterprise Zones,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th July 1981, entitled the City of
Glasgow District Enterprise Zone Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1069)
[by Act].

New Towns (Scotland),—Copy of the Reports of the Cumbernauld, East Kilbride,
Glenrothes, Irvine and Livingston Development Corporations for the year ended
31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 415].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:
National Health Service,—Copy of the Report of the General Practice Finance
Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 438].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Civil Aviation,—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th July 1981, entitled the Civil
Aviation (Aerial Advertising) (Marriage of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales) Regulations
1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1078) [by Act].

Civil Aviation,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:
Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) bacon curing, meat and fish products,
(2) canvas goods and sacks and other made-up textiles,
(3) compressors and fluid power equipment,
(4) furniture and upholstery,
(5) scientific and industrial instruments and systems,
(6) soft drinks,
(7) steel tubes,
(8) weaving and cotton, linen and man-made fibres, and
(9) wooden containers and baskets
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:
Education,—Copy of the Report of the Secretary of State for Wales on education
in Wales in 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Atkins:
Road and Railway Transport,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th July 1981, entitled
the Level Crossing (Glebe Road, Dunmurry) Order (Northern Ireland) 1981 (S.R. &
O. (N.I.), 1981, No. 242) [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Supreme Court,—Copy of Rules, dated 9th July 1981, entitled the Rules of the Supreme
Court (Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 2) 1981 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1981, No. 224)
[by Act].

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Thursday, 30th July, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.
Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords].—The Great Yarmouth Borough Council
Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Humberside Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the
Humberside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 20th October.

British Railways (No. 2) Bill.—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [27th July]
as relates to the British Railways (No. 2) Bill be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.
Ordered, That the Promoters of the British Railways (No. 2) Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date to be paid;

Ordered, That on the fifth day on which this House sits in the next Session the Bill shall be presented to the House;

Ordered, That there shall be deposited with the Bill a Declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the present Session;

Ordered, That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first, second and third time (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read);

Ordered, That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

Ordered, That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [27th July] as relates to the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.

Ordered, That the Promoters of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date to be paid;

Ordered, That on the fifth day on which the House sits in the next Session the Bill shall be presented to the House;

Ordered, That there shall be deposited with the Bill a Declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the present Session;

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Ordered, That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

Ordered, That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill,—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [27th July] as relates to the Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.

Ordered, That the Promoters of the Yarmouth (Isle of Wight) Pier Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date to be paid;

Ordered, That on the fifth day on which the House sits in the next Session the Bill shall be presented to the House;

Ordered, That there shall be deposited with the Bill a Declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the present Session;

Ordered, That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first, second and third time (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read);

Ordered, That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session;

Ordered, That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(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).

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy 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 Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report) [The Future of the Gas Industry in Northern Ireland].

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 463].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 463].

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

The Lords have agreed to the Ullapool Pier Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Great Yarmouth Borough Council Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Lloyd's Bill,—The Lords concur with the Commons in their Message of Monday 27th July relating to the Lloyd's Bill.

Fiji and Vanuatu (Gifts),—Ordered, That Mr. Austin Mitchell and Mr. John Stradling Thomas have leave of absence to present on behalf of this House a gift of a Clerk's Table to the House of Representatives of Fiji, and a gift of a Speaker's Gavel and Desk Set to the House of Assembly of Vanuatu.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Clause (Duties of water authorities etc. with regard to nature conservation and the countryside)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Duties of Agriculture Ministers with respect to areas of special scientific interest)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first time and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Ministerial guidance as respects areas of special scientific interest)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Payments under certain agreements offered by authorities)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Marine nature reserves)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Byelaws for protection of marine nature reserves)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

An Amendment ((a)) proposed to the proposed Clause, in line 4, after the second word “of”, to insert the word “coastline”.—(Mr. Denis Howell.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Clause.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Tinn : 61.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. John Cope : 124.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Recording of loss of the countryside to all forms of development)—(Mr. Stephen Hastings)—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 (Review of law or abuse of the countryside)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—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. Frank Haynes, Mr. George Morton : 44.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton : 106.
Another Clause (Creation of regional parks for recreation in England and Wales)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Order prohibiting the carrying out of operations on moor or heath)—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman)—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. James Tinn, Mr. Joe Dean: 40.


Another Clause (Burning of heather and grass)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—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.

Other Amendments (Nos. 232, 214, 215, 217 to 219, 71, 147 to 152, 187, 190, 188, 189, 191, 178 to 186, 225 and 162) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 220) proposed to the Bill, in page 35, line 16, after the word "beauty", to insert the words "or amenity".—(Mr. Tom King.)

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, at this day's sitting, the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords] and the consideration of Lords Amendments to the Employment and Training Bill may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Tony Newton.)

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 220) be made:—Debate resumed.

Question put and agreed to.

Other Amendments (Nos. 221, 155 and 156) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 72) proposed to the Bill, in page 37, line 23, to leave out the words "after consulting with the Secretary of State", and insert the words "with the provision that if the objection is not withdrawn the application shall be determined by the Ministers", instead thereof.—(Mr. Peter Hardy.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. James Tinn: 38.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Thompson, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 108.

Other Amendments (Nos. 157 to 161) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 141) proposed to the Bill, in page 38, line 36, to leave out the word "twelve" and insert the word "eighteen", instead thereof.—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 192) made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Procedure in connection with orders under section (Marine nature reserves))—(Mr. Hector Monro)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Appointment of wardens for public rights of way)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Publication of dedication of footpaths and bridleways)—(Mr. Michael Roberts)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Continued wilful obstruction of public rights of way)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—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. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Nigel Spearing: 33.


Another Clause (Long distance routes)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Depiction of public rights of way information on Ordnance Survey maps)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—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 (Bodies to be notified of public path and definitive map orders)—(Mr. Andrew Bennett)—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 Amendment (No. 77) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 295) proposed to the Bill, in page 97, line 3, at the end, to insert the words—

"(c) a statement giving the reasons why the applicant or his predecessor in title did not produce at the time required for the lodging of objections under the provisions of the 1949 Act and the 1968 Act relating to the preparation and revision of the definitive map and statement, or under Part III hereof, as the case may be, the evidence which the applicant wishes to adduce in support of the application which will have the effect of deleting from the map and statement a way shown therein, or of showing a byway open to all traffic so shown as a bridleway or a footpath, or of showing a bridleway or a road used as a public path as a footpath".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank Haynes: 27.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Newton, Mr. Alastair Goodlad: 106.

Another Amendment (No. 78) made to the Bill.

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Another Amendment (No. 79) proposed to the Bill, in page 97, line 24, after the word "relates", to insert the words "and with such bodies as may be prescribed or as the authority may consider appropriate".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 298 to 301) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 266) proposed to the Bill, in page 99, line 27, after the word "objections", to insert the words "or, if any objections or representations are made with respect to the order, the date of withdrawal of those objections or of the decision of the Secretary of State whether or not to confirm the order".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 86 to 88 and 302) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 90) proposed to the Bill, in page 103, line 13, at the end, to insert the words—

"(1A) Regulations made under sub-paragraph (1) above shall include provisions for a copy of each confirmed order to be sent to the Ordnance Survey".—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Andrew Bennett: 7.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton: 99.

Other Amendments (Nos. 92 to 94, 96 and 98 to 100) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 103) proposed to the Bill, in page 51, to leave out lines 1 to 3 and insert the words—

"(b) is of a recognised beef breed and is listed in Schedule (Recognised beef breeds for the purpose of section 54) and is at large in any field or enclosure in which cows or heifers are also at large", instead thereof.—(Mr. Andrew Bennett.)
Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Andrew Bennett : 9.


Other Amendments (Nos 97, 281, 303, 304, 115, 305, 306 and 112) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 245) proposed to the Bill, in page 106, line 5, at the end, to insert the words—

" (3) In subsection (6) of that section insert after "any land held with it",—

(4) the diversion would have on the interests of agriculture".—(Mr. Michael Spicer.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 116, 307 to 313, 118, 314, 122, 283, 319, 123, 125, 296, 126 to 129, 131 to 138, 320, 212 and 213) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time:—

Mr. Tom King, 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. Tom King, 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 interest of the Prince of Wales is concerned, That the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

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

Employment and Training Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Employment and Training Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Newham London Borough Council) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 11th June, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Urban Development,—Resolved, That the London Docklands Development Corporation (Vesting of Land) (Southwark London Borough Council) Order 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 11th June, be approved.—(Mr. Giles Shaw.)

Overseas Development and Co-operation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the draft International Development Association (Sixth Replenishment) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 13th July, be approved—(Mr. Tony Newton):—It was agreed to.

Cinematographs and Cinematograph Films,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.), That the Films (Quotas) Order, a copy of which was laid before this House on 30th June, be approved—(Mr. Tony Newton):—It was agreed to.

European Community Interregional Air Services,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73B (Standing Committees on European Community Documents), That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 11895/80, being a draft Council Regulation concerning the authorisation of scheduled interregional air services for passengers, mail and cargo between Member States and of the Department of Trade's Explanatory Memorandum of 15th January 1981; and supports Her Majesty's Government's intention to negotiate arrangements which will lead to a more liberal régime in the interests of British travellers and airlines—(Mr. Tony Newton):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes to Four o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 3.58 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Thursday 30th July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Peter Rees:


Value Added Tax,—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th July 1981, entitled the Value Added Tax (General and Bad Debt Relief) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1080) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Prisons,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty of 27th July for a Return of a Report of an Inquiry by the Deputy Director General of the Prison Service into the escape of three prisoners from Her Majesty’s Prison, Brixton, on 16th December 1980; to be printed [No. 450].

Redundant Churches Fund,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Redundant Churches Fund for 1980 [by Measure].

Sir Ian Gilmour:

Iraq (No. 1, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 24th June 1981, between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Iraq, on economic and technical co-operation (the Agreement is not in force) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8319].


Mr. Secretary Younger:

Police (Scotland),—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8275].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:


Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of British Shipbuilders for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Tourism,—Copy of the Report of the Wales Tourist Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Electricity,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) the Central Electricity Generating Board,
(2) the Eastern Electricity Board,
(3) the East Midlands Electricity Board,
(4) the Electricity Council,
(5) the London Electricity Board,
(6) the Merseyside and North Wales Electricity Board,
(7) the Midlands Electricity Board,
(8) the North Eastern Electricity Board,
(9) the North Western Electricity Board,
(10) the South Eastern Electricity Board,
(11) the South Western Electricity Board,
(12) the South Wales Electricity Board,
(13) the Southern Electricity Board, and
(14) the Yorkshire Electricity Board
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].
Electricity.—Copies of—
(1) the Report of the Secretary of State for Energy of proceedings under the
Electricity Acts 1947 and 1957, and
(2) the Statement of Accounts and Statistics of the Electricity Council for the year
ended 31st March 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:
Road Traffic.—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 20th July 1981, entitled the Minibus (Designated Bodies)
(Amendment) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1037), and
(2) Regulations, dated 20th July 1981, entitled the Road Vehicles Lighting (Amend-
ment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1042)
[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)]:—
Civil Aviation (Aerial Advertising) (Marriage of His Royal Highness The Prince of

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Public Petitions.—Observations by the Home Secretary on the Petition [20th July] from
Gordon William Harris for a free pardon [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Crown Estate.—Copy of the Report of the Crown Estate Commissioners for the year ended
31st March 1981 [by Act].

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

PRAYERS.

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

Defence.—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence Committee, That they had directed
him to report Memoranda laid before them.

Memoranda to lie upon the Table.

Social Security.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Social
Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd July,
be approved—(Mr. Hugh Rossi);

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:

Social Security.—The Question being again proposed, That the draft Social Security Benefit
Up-rating Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd July, be approved;
And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1981, which was
laid before this House on 3rd July, be approved.

Social Security.—Resolved, That the draft Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations 1981,
which were laid before this House on 3rd July, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Social Security.—Resolved, That the draft Child Benefit (Up-rating) Regulations 1981, which
were laid before this House on 3rd July, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)
Social Security,—Resolved, That the draft Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 3rd July, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Social Security,—Resolved, That the draft Pensioners' Lump Sum Payments Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 3rd July, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Social Security,—Resolved, That the draft Supplementary Benefit (Requirements and Conditions of Entitlement) Amendment Regulations 1981, which were laid before this House on 20th July, be approved.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

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

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes to Seven o'clock, adjourned till Monday 19th October, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 23rd July.

[Adjourned at 6.38 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 31st July 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nigel Lawson:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 20th July 1981, and
(2) 21st July 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Government Trading Funds,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 31st July 1981, on the financial objective of the Royal Mint for the period 1st April 1981 to 31st March 1984 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Carlisle:

Museums and Galleries,—Statement of indemnities for the loss of objects borrowed by the British Museum [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Armed Forces Pay,—Copy of a supplement to the Tenth Report of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay 1981 on service medical and dental officers [by Command] [Cmd. 8322].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Export Guarantees,—Report by the Secretary of State for Trade on the insurance of overseas investment against non-commercial risks, for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 455].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Cotton and Allied Textiles Industry Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Industry,—Copy of the Report of the Secretaries of State for Industry, Scotland and Wales on the exercise of their functions under the Industry Act 1972 for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 460].

Industry,—Copy of the Report of the Secretary of State for Industry on the counselling activities of the Small Firms service for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].


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Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Countryside Commission,—Copy of the Report of the Countryside Commission for the year ended 30th September 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 441].

Housing,—Copies of Orders, dated—
(1) 22nd July 1981, entitled the Home Purchase Assistance (Price-limits) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1061), and

Mr. Secretary Edwards:

Development of Rural Wales,—Copy of the Report of the Development Board for Rural Wales, for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

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

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for Industry on the Petition [22nd May] from citizens of the United Kingdom for the cancellation of the M54 motorway programme [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Atomic Energy Authority,—Copy of the Accounts of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 465].

County Courts,—Copy of an Order, entitled the County Courts Jurisdiction (Inheritance— Provision for Family and Dependents) Order 1981 [by Act].

Public Records,—Copy of the Reports of the Keeper of Public Records on the work of the Public Record Office and of the Advisory Council on Public Records for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 454].

Welsh Development Agency,—Copy of the Accounts of the Welsh Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1981; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 64].

Monday, 19th October, 1981.

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 the Right Honourable Sir Rodney Graham Page, MBE, Member for Crosby, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the Right Honourable Member.

Writ issued during the Adjournment,—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that, during the Adjournment, he had issued a 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 the Borough Constituency of Croydon North West in the room of Robert George Taylor, Esquire, deceased.

Private Bills [Lords] (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 following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with in respect of a Petition for Additional Provision, viz.:

Cumbria Bill [Lords].

Petition for additional Provision in the Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

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

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

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

The Lords have agreed to the Education (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to certain of the Amendments made by this House to the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without Amendment; they have agreed to one other of the Amendments made by this House, with an Amend-
ment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House; and they have disagreed to the remaining Amendment made by this House, for which disagreement they assign their Reason.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Independent Broadcasting Authority Acts 1973, 1974 and 1978 and the Broadcasting Act 1980; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Broadcasting Bill [Lords]].

Science and Technology.—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to give leave to William Shelton, Esquire, a Member of this House, to attend to be examined as a witness before Sub-Committee I (Science and Government) of the Select Committee appointed by the Lords on Science and Technology.

Broadcasting Bill [Lords].—The Broadcasting Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 199].

Education Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Education Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 200].

Education (Scotland) Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Education (Scotland) Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 201].

Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—Lords Amendment to Commons Amendment, and Lords Reason for disagreeing to a Commons Amendment to the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords] to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 202].

Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That new Clauses 1 and 38 be considered immediately before new Clause 29.—(Mr. Reginald Eyre.)

A Clause (Regulation and record of the use of business and trading names)—(Mr. John 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, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Frank R. White: 210.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Donald Thompson: 256.

Another Clause (Civil remedies for breach of section 29)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Assignment or release of company's right to purchase own shares)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Payments apart from purchase price to be made out of distributable profits)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Power to alter certain provisions with respect to redemption or purchase by a company of its own shares)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Supplementary provisions relating to Part III of the 1980 Act)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Distributions in kind)—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Old public companies)—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (International bonds)—(Mr. Peter Rees)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Privileged information)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Temporary extension of power to require company to change its name)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Conversion of creditors' voluntary winding up to members' voluntary winding up in certain circumstances)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Register of past directorships)—(Mr. Reginald Eyre)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Directors' report to include, in case of certain companies, particulars of exports)—(Mr. Geoffrey Robinson)—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. George Morton, Mr. Joe Dean : 143.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Donald Thompson : 207.

Another Clause (Employment statement)—(Mr. Clinton Davis)—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. Frank R. White, Mr. Allen McKay : 130.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Alastair Goodlad : 195.

Another Clause (Meetings of creditors and centrebinding)—(Mr. Clinton Davis)—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, at this day's sitting, the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Clause (Meetings of creditors and centrebinding) be read a second time:—Debate resumed.

Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Common ownership companies)—(Mr. Geoffrey Robinson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Appointment of an audit committee to be considered)—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Minimum notice of meeting for voluntary winding up)—(Mr. Clinton Davis)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Prohibition on directors of insolvent companies from acting as liquidators, etc.)—(Mr. Clinton Davis)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Disclosure of information concerning contracts of employment of directors)—(Mr Geoffrey Robinson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned.—(Mr. Nick Budgen.)

Bill to be further considered to-morrow.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 20th October, 1981:

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 Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.9 a.m.]
APPENDIX

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:

Citizenship,—Copy of Tables of persons acquiring citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies in 1980 [Cmd. 8325].

Prisons,—Copy of Prison Statistics for England and Wales for 1980 [Cmd. 8372].

British Phosphate Commissioners,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Phosphate Commissioners for the year ended 30th June 1980.

Defence (Miscellaneous No. 22, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Bonn on 18th May 1981, to amend the Protocol of Signature to the Agreement of 3rd August 1959 to supplement the Agreement between the parties to the North Atlantic Treaty regarding the status of their forces with respect to foreign forces stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany as amended by the Agreement of 21st October 1971 (the Agreement has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [Cmd. 8371].

Disarmament (Miscellaneous No. 23, 1981),—Copy of a Convention, open for signature at New York for the year ended 10th April 1982, on prohibitions or restrictions on the use of certain conventional weapons which may be deemed to be excessively injurious or to have indiscriminate effects (with annexed Protocols) (the United Kingdom has not ratified the Convention) [Cmd. 8370].

Egypt (No. 1, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Cairo on 14th May 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt for air services between and beyond their respective territories (the Agreement is not in force) [Cmd. 8348].

European Communities (No. 40, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 22nd December 1980 between the European Economic Community and the Republic of India, on the guaranteed prices for cane sugar for 1980/81 [Cmd. 8310].

European Communities (No. 41, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 17th December 1980 between the European Economic Community and Barbados, the People's Republic of Congo, Fiji, the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, Jamaica, the Republic of Kenya, the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, the Republic of Malawi, Mauritius, the Republic of Suriname, the Kingdom of Swaziland, the United Republic of Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago and the Republic of Uganda, on the guaranteed prices for cane sugar for 1980/81 [Cmd. 8306].

European Communities (No. 42, 1981),—Copy of a Community-COST Concertation Agreement, signed at Brussels on 22nd January 1981, on a concerted action project on the effects of thermal processing and distribution on the quality and nutritive value of food (COST Project 91) [Cmd. 8355].

European Communities (No. 43, 1981),—Copy of a Community-COST Concertation Agreement, signed at Brussels on 22nd January 1981, on a concerted action project in the field of teleinformatics (COST Project II bis) [Cmd. 8356].

European Communities (No. 44, 1981),—Copy of a Transitional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 7th February 1980, to the Agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus [Cmd. 8331].

European Communities (No. 45, 1981),—Copy of a Second Additional Protocol, signed at Brussels on 18th March 1981, to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the State of Israel [Cmd. 8327].

European Communities (No. 46, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Bucharest on 28th July 1980, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Republic of Romania on the establishment of the Joint Committee [Cmd. 8330].

European Communities (No. 47, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Brussels on 18th March 1981, on the arrangements to be applied during 1981 in the framework of the Decision adopted by the Association Council on 24th November 1980 establishing the process into the second stage of the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus [Cmd. 8332].

European Communities (No. 48, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 6th April 1981 between Austria and the European Economic Community, amending the Agreement on price observance and the arrangements for the importation of certain types of cheese [Cmd. 8340].

European Communities (No. 49, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 27th March 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway [Cmd. 8347].
European Communities (No. 50, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 18th March 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland [Cmd. 8346].

European Communities (No. 51, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 18th March 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation [Cmd. 8345].

European Communities (No. 52, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 20th March 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic [Cmd. 8349].


European Communities (No. 54, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 6th March 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Austria [Cmd. 8351].

European Communities (No. 55, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 18th March 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Finland [Cmd. 8352].

European Communities (No. 56, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 30th December 1980, relating to the Amendment of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Austria on the simplification of formalities in respect of goods traded between the European Economic Community and Greece and Turkey when the said goods are forwarded from Austria [Cmd. 8362].

European Communities (No. 57, 1981),—Copy of a Second Supplementary Protocol, signed at Brussels on 2nd April 1981, to the Agreement of 28th July 1956 on the introduction of through international railway tariffs for the carriage of coal and steel through Swiss territory [Cmd. 8363].

European Communities (No. 58, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Brussels on 13th May 1981, between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation extending the Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of registration of congenital abnormalities (medical and public health research) [Cmd. 8367].

European Communities (No. 59, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 24th April 1981, derogating further from Article 1 of Protocol No. 3 to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Sweden [Cmd. 8368].

European Communities (No. 60, 1981),—Copy of a Protocol, signed at Brussels on 12th December 1980, to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community [Cmd. 8373].

European Communities (No. 61, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 24th April 1981 between the European Economic Community and the Portuguese Republic, regarding prepared or preserved tomatoes falling within subheading 20.02C of the Common Customs Tariff [Cmd. 8378].

European Communities,—Copy of the Government's Reply to the Twenty-first Report from the House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities, Session 1980-81, on development aid policy [Cmd. 8326].

Foreign Affairs,—Copy of the Government's Reply to the Third Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, Session 1980-81, on hotel development in the Turks and Caicos Islands [Cmd. 8386].

Foreign Affairs (Miscellaneous No. 20, 1981),—Copy of Government Observations on the Fourth Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee, Session 1980-81, on the Supply Estimates 1981-82 (Class II, Votes 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6) [Cmd. 8366].


Human Rights (Miscellaneous No. 19, 1981),—Copy of a Convention, signed at Strasbourg on 28th January 1981, for the protection of individuals with regard to automatic processing of personal data (with explanatory Report) (the United Kingdom has not ratified the Convention) [Cmd. 8341].

Mauritius (No. 1, 1981),—Copy of a Convention on social security, signed at Port Louis on 22nd April 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom...
and the Government of Mauritius (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [Cmnd. 8320].

Paraguay (No 1, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 4th June 1981, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Paraguay for the promotion and protection of investments (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [Cmnd. 8329].

Road Transport (Miscellaneous No. 18, 1981).—Copy of proposed Amendments to Annex 1 to the Agreement on the international carriage of perishable foodstuffs and on the special equipment to be used for such carriage (ATP) 1970 [Cmnd. 8342].


Treaty Series (No. 61, 1981).—Copy of the Second Supplementary List of ratifications, accessions, withdrawals, etc., for 1981 [Cmnd. 8357].


Treaty Series (No. 66, 1981).—Copy of a Convention, signed at Stockholm on 8th October 1980, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on estates of deceased persons and inheritances and on gifts [Cmnd. 8361].

Treaty Series (No. 67, 1981).—Copy of Amendments, adopted on 20th January 1981 by the Assembly of the Union for the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure (Budapest Union), to the Regulations under the Budapest Treaty on the international recognition of the deposit of microorganisms for the purposes of patent procedure [Cmnd. 8364].


Treaty Series (No. 69, 1981).—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Mbabane on 23rd and 25th March 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Swaziland, amending and extending the British Expatriates Supplementation (Swaziland) Agreement 1976 as amended in the 1977 (British Expatriates Supplementation (Swaziland) Agreement 1976/81) [Cmnd. 8379].
Treaty Series (No. 70, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Mbabane on 23rd and 25th March 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Swaziland, amending and extending the Overseas Service (Swaziland) Agreement 1976 (Overseas Service (Swaziland) Agreement 1976/81) [Cmnd. 8380].


Treaty Series (No. 73, 1981),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Amman on 2nd and 14th June 1981 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, on the extension to the Bailiwicks of Jersey and Guernsey and the Isle of Man of the Agreement for the promotion and protection of investments signed at Amman on 10th October 1979 [Cmnd. 8383].

Criminal Statistics (Scotland),—Copy of Statistics relating to crime and criminal proceedings in Scotland for 1979 [Cmnd. 8215].

Fisheries,—Copy of the Report on fisheries of Scotland for 1980 [Cmnd. 8316].

University Grants Committee,—Copy of the Survey of the University Grants Committee for the academic year 1979-80 [Cmnd. 8359].

Industrial Injuries,—Copy of a Report by the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council on vibration white finger [Cmnd. 8350].


Monopolies and Mergers,—Copies of Reports by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on—

   (1) the proposed merger between Enserch Corporation and Davy Corporation,
   (2) the proposed transfer of forty-five newspapers owned by the Berrow’s Organisation Limited to Reed International Limited,
   (3) the proposed transfer of three newspapers owned by South Wales Argus Holdings Limited to Express Newspapers Limited, and
   (4) the supply in the United Kingdom of ready mixed concrete [Cmnd. 8360, Cmnd. 8337, Cmnd 8385 and Cmnd. 8354].

British Aerospace,—Copy of a Department of Industry Minute on the giving of a guarantee in respect of British Aerospace participation in the Airbus A310 programme.

Cable and Wireless,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of Cable and Wireless Limited for the year ended 31st March 1981.

Environment,—Copy of the Government’s Reply to the Second Report from the Environment Committee, Session 1980-81, on council house sales [Cmnd. 8377].

Museums and Galleries,—Statement of indemnities for the loss of objects loaned to the National Museum of Wales.

Northern Ireland Development Agency,—Copy of the Accounts of the Northern Ireland Development Agency for the year ended 31st March 1980; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon [Cmnd. 8321].

Papers presented pursuant to several Acts of Parliament and 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 :

3rd August 1981


Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated 1st August 1981, entitled—

   (1) the Heavy Goods Vehicles (Drivers’ Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1127), and
   (2) the Motor Vehicles (Entitlement to Drive) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1128).
4th August 1981


Enterprise Zones,—Copies of Orders, dated 23rd July 1981, entitled—
(1) the Gateshead Enterprise Zones Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1070),
(2) the Newcastle Enterprise Zone Designation Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1071), and

5th August 1981

Coroners,—Copies of Orders, dated 1st August 1981, entitled—
(1) the Buckinghamshire (Coroners' District) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1139), and
(2) the Nottinghamshire (Coroners' Districts) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1140).

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 22nd July 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Ships' Doctors) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1065),
(2) 27th July 1981, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Certification of Ships' Cooks) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1076), and


6th August 1981


7th August 1981


Education,—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 22nd July 1981, entitled the Colleges of Education (Compensation) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1088), and


Food and Drugs,—Copies of Regulations, dated 27th July 1981, entitled—
(1) the Imported Food (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1085), and


10th August 1981


Sea Fisheries,—Copies of Orders, dated 10th August 1981, entitled—
(1) the West Coast Herring Licensing Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1183),
(2) the West Coast Herring (Licensing and Prohibition of Fishing) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1184), and
(3) the West Coast Herring (Prohibition of Fishing) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1185).


11th August 1981


Housing (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th July 1981, entitled the Rent Rebate and Rent Allowance Schemes (Students) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1162).

Sheriff Court (Scotland),—Copy of an Act of Sederunt, dated 30th July 1981, entitled the Act of Sederunt (Shorthand Writers’ Fees) 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1136).


12th August 1981


13th August 1981


Sea Fisheries,—Copies of Orders, dated 3rd August 1981, entitled—
1) the Sea Fish (Conservation) (Enforcement of Miscellaneous EEC Provisions) (Revocation) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1164),
(2) the Sea Fish (Conservation) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1163), and
14th August 1981

Acquisition of Land,—Copies of Regulations, dated 30th July 1981, entitled—
(1) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1153), and
(2) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1154).


17th August 1981


20th August 1981


21st August 1981


26th August 1981

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th August 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Superannuation) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1205).

28th August 1981


2nd September 1981


3rd September 1981


7th September 1981


Offshore Installations,—Copies of Orders, dated 3rd September 1981, entitled—
(1) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 14) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1270),
(2) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (No. 15) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1271),
(3) the Continental Shelf (Protection of Installations) (Revocation) (No. 7) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1272), and

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Defence.—Copies of Rules, dated 14th August 1981, entitled—
(1) the Rules of Procedure (Air Force) (Amendment) Rules 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1219), and


Sea Fisheries.—Copies of Orders, dated 7th September 1981, entitled—
(1) the Herring (North Sea and Specified Western Waters) Licensing Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1295),
(2) the Herring (North Sea and Specified Western Waters) (Manx and Channel Islands Boats) Licensing Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1293),
(3) the Herring (Specified North Sea Waters) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1297),
(4) the Herring (Specified North Sea Waters) (Prohibition of Fishing) (Revocation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1298),
(5) the Herring (Specified Western Waters) (Prohibition of Fishing) (No. 2) (Variation) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1294), and

9th September 1981


10th September 1981

Customs and Excise.—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 28th August 1981, entitled the Aircraft (Customs and Excise) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1259),
(3) 28th August 1981, entitled the Ship’s Report, Importation and Exportation by Sea Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1260), and

Food and Drugs.—Copy of an Order, dated 31st August 1981, entitled the Milk Prices (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1261).


11th September 1981


17th September 1981


18th September 1981


Ancient Monuments.—Copies of—
(2) an Order, dated 8th September 1981, entitled the Ancient Monuments (Class Consents) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1302), and


22nd September 1981

Food and Drugs.—Copies of Regulations, dated 1st September 1981, entitled—
(1) the Jam and Similar Products (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1320), and
(2) the Skimmed Milk with Non-Milk Fat (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1319).


Road Traffic.—Copies of Regulations, dated—
(1) 8th September 1981, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Great Britain) (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1330), and

23rd September 1981

Health and Safety.—Copies of Regulations, dated 14th September 1981, entitled—
(1) the Health and Safety (Foundries etc.) (Metrication) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1332), and


24th September 1981


25th September 1981

National Health Service.—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th September 1981, entitled the National Health Service (Remission of Charges) Amendment Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1345).

28th September 1981


29th September 1981

20th September 1981


1st October 1981


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15th October 1981


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Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 19th October 1981:

Mr. Nicholas Ridley:


Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Criminal Statistics,—Copy of Statistics relating to crime and criminal proceedings in England and Wales for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8376].

Mr. Humphrey Atkins:

International Immunities and Privileges,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—
(1) the Common Fund for Commodities (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981, and
(2) the International Natural Rubber Organization (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:


Industrial Organisation and Development,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Scottish Seed Potato Development Council Order 1981 [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Health Service Planning Council for 1980 [by Act].


Tourism,—Statement of determination of the salary of a member of the Scottish Tourist Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence,—Copies of—
(1) an Order, dated 22nd July 1981, amending the Queen’s Regulations for the Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve 1978,
(2) Regulations, dated 28th July 1981, entitled the Army Act 1955 (Part I) (Regular Army) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1981,
(3) Regulations, made by the Defence Council on 21st September 1981, relating to the trade structure of the Royal Air Force, and
(4) a Warrant, dated 9th September 1981, amending the Pay Warrant 1964 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Tebbit:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Draft of an Order, entitled the National Dock Labour Board (Increase of Loans Limit) Order 1981 [by Act].

Industrial Training,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) the Ceramics, Glass and Mineral Products Industry Training Board,
(2) the Clothing and Allied Products Industry Training Board,
(3) the Food, Drink and Tobacco Industry Training Board,
(4) the Furniture and Timber Industry Training Board,
(5) the Hotel and Catering Industry Training Board,
(6) the Iron and Steel Industry Training Board,
(7) the Knitting, Lace and Net Industry Training Board,
(8) the Man-made Fibres Producing Industry Training Board,
(9) the Paper and Paper Products Industry Training Board,
(10) the Petroleum Industry Training Board, and
(11) the Road Transport Industry Training Board
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Fowler:

Census,—Copies of the County Monitors of the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for—
(1) Isle of Wight, and
(2) Shropshire
for the Census 1981 [by Act].

Health Services,—Copy of an Order, dated 14th October 1981, entitled the Isles of Scilly (National Health Service) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1473) [by Act].

Population Censuses and Surveys,—Copies of the Reviews of the Registrar General on—
(1) deaths, and
(2) deaths attributed to accidental and violent causes in England and Wales in 1979 [by Act].

Pensions,—List of exceptional awards of pensions and allowances sanctioned by the Treasury to disabled members and the dependants of deceased members of the Armed Forces during the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Statutory Instrument].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:

Civil Aviation,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Airways Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Companies,—Copy of the Report on Companies in 1980 [by Act].


Pilotage,—Copies of—
(1) pilotage returns for 1980, and
(2) the Report and Accounts of the Pilotage Commission for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].
Post Office,—Copies of the Reports of—
(1) the Post Office Users Council for Scotland, and
(2) the Post Office Council for Wales
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Tourism,—Copy of the Report of the British Tourist Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Trade,—Return in part to an Address to Her Majesty of 2nd December 1980 for a Return of Statistics relating to overseas trade for each month during 1981, for February [by Act].

Weights and Measures,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Coffee and Coffee Mixtures) Order 1981,
(2) the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Dried Fruits and Vegetables) (Amendment) Order 1981, and
(3) the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Grain and Farinaceous Products) Order 1981
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

Census of Production,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production 1979 on—
(1) agricultural machinery (except tractors),
(2) aluminium and aluminium alloys,
(3) bread and flour confectionery,
(4) household textiles and handkerchiefs,
(5) industrial (including process) plant and steelwork,
(6) insulated wires and cables,
(7) iron castings, etc.,
(8) jewellery and precious metals,
(9) mechanical handling equipment,
(10) metal-working machine tools,
(11) milk and milk products,
(12) photographic and document copying equipment,
(13) plastics products,
(14) radio and electronic components,
(15) refractory goods,
(16) refrigerating machinery, space-heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment,
(17) scales and weighing machinery and portable power tools,
(18) shop and office fittings,
(19) surgical instruments and appliances,
(20) timber, and
(21) women’s and girl’s tailored outerwear
[by Act].


Development of Inventions,—Copy of the Report of the National Research Development Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Iron and Steel,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) Alfred Simpson Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(2) British Iron and Steel Research Association for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(3) British Steam Shipping Company Limited for the period 1st April 1979 to 29th March 1980,
(4) British Steel Corporation (Exports) Limited for the period 1st April 1979 to 29th March 1980,
(5) British Steel Corporation (Exports) Limited for the year ended 28th March 1981,
(6) British Steel Corporation (Tubes) Exports Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(7) BSC Brokers Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(8) BSC Pension Fund Nominees Limited for the period 1st April 1979 to 29th March 1980,
(9) BSC Pension Fund Nominees Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(10) Clyde Workshops Limited for the period 11th December 1978 to 31st March 1979,
(11) Clyde Workshops Limited for the year ended 31st March 1980,
(12) Cummins and Cutler Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(13) Glengarnock Industrial Developments Limited for the period 22nd May 1979 to 29th March 1980,
(14) Graham Wood Steel Group Limited and subsidiaries for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(15) Herringshaw Steels Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(16) Lye Steel Company Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(17) Lye Tinplate Company Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(18) Lye Trading Company Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(19) Newport and South Wales Tube Company Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(20) Ruthner Continuous Crop Systems Limited for the year ended 29th March 1980,
(21) St. Andrews Shipping Company Limited for the period 1st April 1979 to 29th March 1980,
(22) Stanton and Staveley (Exports) Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(23) Stanton Housing Company Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,
(24) Wilson Steel Services Limited for the period 30th March 1980 to 28th March 1981,

[by Act].

Post Office.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Post Office for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Building and Buildings,—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th September 1981, entitled the Building (Second Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1338) [by Act].

Landlord and Tenant,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Protected Shorthold Tenancies (Rent Registration) Order 1981 [by Act].

Local Government,—Copy of local government financial statistics for England and Wales for the year ended 31st March 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:


Mr. Secretary Lawson:

Atomic Energy,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) Amersham International Limited,
(2) British Nuclear Fuels Limited, and
(3) the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:

Highways,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th July 1981, entitled the A20 London-Folkestone-Dover Trunk Road (Sidcup Bypass Improvement) Compulsory Purchase Order (No. 2) 1981; with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Transport under section 2(2) of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd September 1981, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limits and Speed Limits on Motorways) (Metrication) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1372) [by Act].
Mr. Francis Pym:

College Charter,—Copy of the Petition, draft Charter and Statutes relating to the incorporation of the University of Buckingham [by Act].

Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 23rd September 1981, entitled the Naval Reserves (Gibraltar) Pay Order 1981 [by Act].


Mr. Peter Walker:

Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Agricultural Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

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

Museums and Galleries,—Copies of the Reports of the Trustees of—
(1) the British Museum for the period 1978 to 1981, and
(2) the British Museum (Natural History) for the period 1978 to 1980 [by Act].


Tuesday, 20th October 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Humberside Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for consideration of the Humberside Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 27th October.

County of Avon Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [27th July] as relates to the County of Avon Bill [Lords] be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in their Resolution.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Derbyshire Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [27th July] as relates to the Derbyshire Bill [Lords] be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in their Resolution.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr Bob Cryer 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 (Thirty-first Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xlvi].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-fifth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxvi].

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

The Lords have agreed to the British Nationality Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Lords have agreed to the British Transport Docks Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the London Transport (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to certain of the Amendments made by this House to the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords], without Amendment; they have disagreed to one other Amendment made by this House but propose Amendments in lieu thereof, to which they desire the concurrence of this House; they have agreed to certain other Amendments made by this House, with Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House; they have made a consequential Amendment to the Bill, to which they desire the concurrence of this House; and they have disagreed to the remaining Amendments made by this House, for which disagreement they assign their Reason.

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—Lords Amendments in lieu of a certain Commons Amendment, Lords Amendments to certain Commons Amendments, a consequential Lords Amendment and Lords Reason for disagreeing to certain other Commons Amendments to the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords] to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 203].

British Nationality Bill,—Lords Amendments to the British Nationality Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 205].

Science and Technology.—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message yesterday as requests the attendance of William Shelton, Esquire, a Member of this House, before Sub-Committee I (Science and Government) of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on Science and Technology be now considered.

So much of the Lords Message considered accordingly.

Resolved, That William Shelton, Esquire, a Member of this House, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

Companies (Transfers to Channel Islands and Isle of Man).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the transfer of funds from companies registered in the United Kingdom to subsidiaries of those companies or to companies of which they are subsidiaries registered in the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man otherwise than in settlement of bargains at arm's length—(Mr. George Foulkes);

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. John Maxton, Mr. John Home Robertson: 134.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bill Walker, Mr. Christopher Murphy: 151.

So the Question was negatived.

Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 167) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 13, to leave out the word "one-tenth" and insert the word "one-twentieth", instead thereof.—(Mr. Clinton Davis.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 170) proposed to the Bill, in page 14, line 6, to leave out "£1,400,000" and insert "£250,000", instead thereof.—(Mr. Clinton Davis.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. James Hamilton: 142.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. Donald Thompson: 189.

Another Amendment (No. 174) proposed to the Bill, in page 15, line 45, at the end, to insert the words—

"(13) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of section 161 of the Companies Act 1948 (Disqualifications for appointment as auditor), but subject to subsections (2) to (4) thereof, a person shall be qualified for appointment as auditor of a small or medium-sized company as defined in section 8(2) and (3) of this Act who is a member of the Society of Company and Commercial Accountants Limited (by Guarantee), the British
Association of Accountants and Auditors Limited (by Guarantee), or of any other body of accountants established in the United Kingdom and for the time being recognised for the purposes of this provision by the Department of Trade and who is in receipt of a valid Practising Certificate issued by that member’s qualifying body”.—(Mr. Martin Stevens.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 2 to 51, 179, 53 to 57, 180 and 58 to 65) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 182) proposed to the Bill, in page 77, line 40, to leave out the words “is entitled to exercise” and insert the words “in practice exercises”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Clinton Davis.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 66 to 72, 74, 73, 75 to 96, 98, 97, 99 to 138, 193 and 139 to 142) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 192) proposed to the Bill, in page 153, line 39, to leave out paragraph 10.—(Mr. Geoffrey Robinson.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 143 to 152, 154, 153, 185, 186, 155, 156, 187 and 157 to 160) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time:

Mr. Michael Jopling, 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. Michael Jopling, 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 interest of the Prince of Wales is concerned, That the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

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

Education (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Grant-Aided Colleges (Compensation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1054), dated 22nd July 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 24th July, be annulled—(Mr. Martin O’Neill);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank Haynes: 60.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 111.

So the Question was negatived.

Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That in respect of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses, and 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. Donald Thompson.)

Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That in respect of the Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses, and 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. Donald Thompson.)

Broadcasting Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That, in respect of the Broadcasting Bill [Lords], notices of Amendments, new Clauses, and 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. Donald Thompson.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.14 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday 20th October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Leon Brittan:
Coal Industry,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th October 1981, entitled the Opencast Coal (Rate of Interest on Compensation) (No. 2) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1457) [by Act].

Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated—
(1) 22nd July 1981,
(2) 24th July 1981,
(3) 27th July 1981,
(4) 30th July 1981, and
(5) 31st July 1981,
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:
Environmental Pollution,—Copy of a Report of the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution on pollution of the sea [by Command] [Cmnd. 8358].

Mr. Humphrey Atkins:
Treaty Series (No. 74, 1981),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Rome on 23rd April 1977, between the European Commission of the Danube and the Governments of the French Republic, the Italian Republic, the United Kingdom and the Hellenic Republic (with Declaration and Agreement with the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8384].

Mr. Secretary Tebbit:
Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Redundancy Fund (Advances out of the National Loans Fund) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Biffen:
Cinematographs and Cinematograph Films,—Copies of—
(1) the Report and Accounts of the British Film Fund Agency for the year ended 20th September 1980, and
(2) the Report of the Cinematograph Films Council for the year ended 31st March 1981
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 467 and 468].

Mr. Secretary Prior:
Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Howell:
Transport,—Statement of determination of the salaries of the Chairman and members of the National Ports Council [by Act].

Mr. Peter Walker:
Covent Garden Market Authority,—Statement of determination of the salaries of the Chairman and members of the Covent Garden Market Authority [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 Portsmouth Mile End Quay Revision Order 1981 [by Act].
Humberside Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Promoters of the Humberside Bill [Lords] shall have leave to suspend further proceedings thereon in order to proceed with the Bill, if they think fit, in the next session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office not later than the day before the close of the present Session of their intention to suspend further proceedings and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid.

Ordered, That, if the Bill is brought from the Lords in the next Session, the Agent for the Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office a Declaration, signed by him, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the Lords in the present Session.

Ordered, That, as soon as a certificate by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office that such a Declaration has been so deposited has been laid upon the Table of the House, the Bill shall be read the first and second time (and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read) and shall be committed to the Chairman of Ways and Means, who shall make such Amendments thereto as have been made by the Committee in the present Session, and shall report the Bill as amended to the House forthwith, and the Bill, so amended, shall be ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session.

Ordered, That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House. (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

To be communicated to the Lords.

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

Defence.—Mr. Cranley Onslow reported from the Defence 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. 473].

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Thirty-third Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxxiii].

Industry and Trade.—Sir Donald Kaberry reported from the Industry and Trade 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 (Fourth Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 472].

Local Government Building Society and Estate Agency.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend to local authorities the power to operate as building societies and estate agencies and to impose certain duties upon them so to act; and for connected purposes—(Mr. Allan Roberts); 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. Kenneth Marks, Mr. Jack Straw: 128.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Christopher Murphy: 138.

So the Question was negatived.

Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendment to a Commons Amendment and the Lords Reason for disagreeing to a Commons Amendment.

Lords Amendment No. 1 was agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 2; Lords Reason for disagreeing to the Commons Amendment in page 19, line 26.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on its Amendment in page 19, line 26.—(Mr. Alexander Fletcher.)

Education (Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Education (Scotland) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Road Traffic.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Hereford and Worcester Trial Area Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 885), dated 19th June 1981, a copy of which was laid before this House on 6th July, be revoked—(Mr. John Prescott);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Frank Haynes: 103.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 179.

So the Question was negatived.

Education (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the approval by the Secretary of State for Scotland, dated 8th April 1981, of the Lothian Regional Council’s Transfer Scheme 1980, dated 9th December 1980, a copy of which Scheme was laid before this House on 30th June, be revoked—(Mr. Martin O’Neill):—It was negatived.

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

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. Peter Brooke):—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

Wednesday 21st October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 3rd August 1981,
(2) 4th August 1981,
(3) 5th August 1981,
(4) 6th August 1981,
(5) 10th August 1981,
(6) 10th August 1981,
(7) 11th August 1981,
(8) 12th August 1981,
(9) 13th August 1981,
(10) 14th August 1981,
(11) 17th August 1981,
(12) 19th August 1981,
(13) 21st August 1981,
(14) 24th August 1981, and
(15) 28th August 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Nott:

Defence (Royal Air Force).—Copy of an Order, dated 5th October 1981, amending the Queen’s Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Tebbit:

Industrial Training.—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) the Air Transport and Travel Industry Training Board, and
(2) the Footwear, Leather and Fur Skin Industry Training Board
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prior:

Public Accounts.—Copy of a Memorandum of the Northern Ireland Department of Finance on the Second and Seventh Reports from the Committee of Public Accounts, Session 1980-81 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8389].

Mr. Secretary Lawson:

Continental Shelf.—Copy of the Report of the Secretary of State for Energy under the Continental Shelf Act 1964 for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 466].

Mr. Peter Walker:

Covent Garden Market.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Covent Garden Market Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

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

National Research Development Corporation.—Copy of the Accounts of the National Research Development Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1981; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 471].

[No. 157.]

Thursday, 22nd October, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture 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. 474].

Agriculture.—Sir William Elliott reported from the Agriculture 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. 475].

Employment.—Mr. John Golding reported from the Employment Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 28th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-v].

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to regulate and control the use of living animals for scientific research and other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Laboratory Animals Protection Bill [Lords].

Private Bills.—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.:

That the Promoters of the Cumbria Bill [Lords] have leave to proceed with the Bill, if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so be lodged in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than five o’clock on the day before the close of the present Session, and that all fees due thereon up to that period shall have been paid;

That the Bill shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than three o’clock on the third day on which the House shall sit after the commencement of the next Session of Parliament, with a declaration annexed thereto, signed by the Agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in this House in the present Session;
That the proceedings on such Bill shall in the next Session of Parliament be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged to such stages:

That the Standing Orders by which the proceedings on Bills are regulated shall not apply in the next Session of Parliament to such Bill in regard to any of the stages through which the same shall have passed during the present Session.

Education Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Education Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Asbestos.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the two European Community Documents No. 5682/80 for a Council Directive amending for the fifth time Directive 76/769/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to restrictions on the marketing and use of dangerous substances and preparations, and of European Community Document No. 9953/80 for a Council Directive on the protection of workers from the risks due to exposure to chemical, physical and biological agents at work (asbestos) and the updated explanatory memorandum of 8th May 1981 and two memoranda dated 15th October 1981; and welcomes the Government's intention to seek agreement on a harmonised practicable and enforceable policy to minimise the risks to health from exposure to asbestos—(Mr. David Waddington);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 9, to leave out from “1981” to the end of the Question and add the words “but notes in particular that the provisions of the Directive are incompatible with the recommendations of the final report of the Health and Safety Commission’s Advisory Committee on Asbestos which, inter alia, calls for a statutory ban on the import of raw crocidolite to prevent its reintroduction into the United Kingdom and that this should be extended to the import of products containing it providing the practical difficulties can be overcome”, and calls upon Her Majesty’s Government to enter into immediate discussions with other member countries with a view to the early revision of the terms of the directive so as to bring them into line not only with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee but also with the aim of seeking to eliminate the further use of asbestos in all its forms throughout the Community”, instead thereof.—(Mr. Barry Jones).

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Allen McKay, Mr. Frank Haynes: 52.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. David Hunt: 113.

So the Question was negatived.

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


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

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. Peter Brooke);

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 22nd October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Nicholas Ridley:
Acquisition of Land,—Copies of Regulations, dated 15th October 1981, entitled—
(1) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (No. 3) Regulations 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 1491), and
(2) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) (No. 3) Regulations 1981
(S.I., 1981, No. 1492)

[by Act].

Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—
(1) 1st September 1981,
(2) 3rd September 1981,
(3) 4th September 1981,
(4) 7th September 1981,
(5) 8th September 1981,
(6) 9th September 1981, and
(7) 10th September 1981
relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].

Mr. Nigel Lawson:
Gas,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Gas Corporation for the year
ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

[No. 158.]

Friday, 23rd October, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—A Paper was presented (see Appendix).

Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords].—The Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords]
was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Monday 26th October.

Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords].—The Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Monday 26th October.

Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords].—The Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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 17 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 5 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Alastair Goodlad 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.

New Towns Bill [Lords].—The New Towns Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Monday 26th October.

Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords].—The Trustee Savings Banks Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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 57 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 8 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Broadcasting Bill [Lords].—The Broadcasting Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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 66 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 9 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Information Technology.—Resolved, That this House takes note of European Community Document No. 9361/80, covering proposals for a Community Strategy on Information Technology, particularly in the fields of microelectronics and telecommunications, and of the supplementary memorandum dated 7th May 1981.—(Mr. John Wakeham.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 11.23 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Friday 23rd October 1981

Paper presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Broadcasting.—Copy of a Statement of principles governing additional payments by programme contractors under contract to the Independent Broadcasting Authority [by Act].

[No. 159.]

Monday, 26th October, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Education, Science and Arts.—Mr. Christopher Price reported from the Education, Science and Arts Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th October.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 106-xiii].

External Services of the BBC.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, in view of the dismay and concern expressed in Britain and by friends and allies abroad, asks Her Majesty's Government to reconsider its intention to cut £3,000,000 from the BBC External Services and to maintain the quality of the External Services at its present level.—(Mr. Denzil Davies);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “welcomes the Government's intention to maintain the essential programmes of the BBC External Services and to improve their audibility,” instead thereof.—(Mr. Richard Luce.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 278.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman : 224.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Main Question, as amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House welcomes the Government's intention to maintain the essential programmes of the BBC External Services and to improve their audibility.

Investment in British Rail.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House condemns the neglect of the railway system; and calls for increased investment in British Rail—(Mr. Stephen Ross);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “welcomes the support that the Government has given to the British Railways Board and emphasises the vital need for the railway industry to protect the funds available for renewal of railway equipment by further improvements in operating efficiency,” instead thereof.—(Mr. Secretary Howell)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 281.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. David Penhaligon : 223.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Main Question, as amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House welcomes the support that the Government has given to the British Railways Board and emphasises the vital need for the railway industry to protect the funds available for renewal of railway equipment by further improvements in operating efficiency.
British Nationality Bill (Allocation of Time).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Order of 29th April be supplemented as follows:

Lords Amendments

1. The proceedings on consideration of Lords Amendments shall be completed in one day’s sitting and, subject to the provisions of the Order of 29th April, each part of those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the second column of the Table set out below.

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2. Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall not apply to the proceedings.

3. For the purposes of bringing any proceedings to a conclusion in accordance with paragraph 1 above—

(a) Mr. Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided and, if that Question is for the Amendment of a Lords Amendment, shall then put forthwith the Question on any further Amendment of the said Lords Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown and on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in the said Lords Amendment, or as the case may be, in the said Lords Amendment, as amended;

(b) Mr. Speaker shall then designate such of the remaining Lords Amendments as appear to him to involve questions of Privilege and shall—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown to a Lords Amendment and then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth agree or disagree with the Lords in their Amendment, or, as the case may be, in their Amendment, as amended;

(ii) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in a Lords Amendment;

(iii) put forthwith with respect to each Amendment designated by Mr. Speaker which has not been disposed of the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment; and

(iv) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Amendments;

(c) as soon as the House has agreed or disagreed with the Lords in any of their Amendments Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith a separate Question on any other Amendment moved by a Minister of the Crown relevant to that Lords Amendment.

Stages subsequent to first Consideration of Lords Amendments

4. The proceedings on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill shall be brought to a conclusion one hour after the commencement of the proceedings.

5. For the purpose of bringing those proceedings to a conclusion—

(a) Mr. Speaker shall first put forthwith any Question which has already been proposed from the Chair and not yet decided, and shall then put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown which is related to the Question already proposed from the Chair;

(b) Mr. Speaker shall then—

(i) put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown on any item in the Lords Message;

(ii) put forthwith the Question, That this House doth agree with the Lords in all the remaining Lords Proposals.

Supplemental

6.—(1) In this paragraph “the proceedings” means proceedings on any further Message from the Lords on the Bill, on the appointment and quorum of a Committee to draw up Reasons and the Report of such a Committee.
(2) Mr Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Motion made by a Minister of the Crown for the consideration forthwith of the Message or, as the case may be, for the appointment and quorum of the Committee.

(3) A Committee appointed to draw up Reasons shall report before the conclusion of the sitting at which they are appointed.

(4) Paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business) shall apply to the proceedings.

(5) No dilatory Motion with respect to, or in the course of, the proceedings shall be made except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith.

(6) If the proceedings are interrupted by a Motion for the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration) a period equal to the duration of the proceedings on the Motion shall be added to the period at the end of which the proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion—(Mr. Timothy Raison);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Walter Harrison: 213.

So the Question was agreed to.

Landlord and Tenant.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft Protected Shorthold Tenancies (Rent Registration) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th October, be approved—(Mr. John Stanley):

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 27th October, 1981:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 257.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Frank Haynes, Mr. Allen McKay: 188.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the draft Protected Shorthold Tenancies (Rent Registration) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th October, be approved.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Tony Newton):—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-three minutes to Two o'clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.37 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on Friday 23rd October 1981 pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of statutory instruments) and ordered to lie upon the Table:


Housing.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Grants by Local Authorities (Appropriate Percentage and Exchequer Contributions) (Amendment) Order 1981 [by Act].

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 26th October 1981:

Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne:

Appropriations in Aid.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 23rd October 1981, directing that certain receipts be no longer applied as appropriations in aid of the Vote for the Department for National Savings [by Act].
Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes dated—

(1) 11th September 1981,
(2) 14th September 1981,
(3) 15th September 1981,
(4) 17th September 1981,
(5) 18th September 1981,
(6) 21st September 1981,
(7) 22nd September 1981,
(8) 23rd September 1981,
(9) 24th September 1981,
(10) 25th September 1981,
(11) 28th September 1981, and
(12) 30th September 1981

relative to the fiduciary note issue [by Act].


Government Trading Funds.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 23rd October 1981, on the financial objectives of the Property Services Agency [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Whitelaw:

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries.—Copy of Statistics relating to betting licensing in Great Britain for the year ended 31st May 1981 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Younger:

Ancient Monuments.—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 7th October 1981, entitled the Ancient Monuments (Class Consents) (Scotland) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1468),
(2) an Order, dated 7th October 1981, entitled the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 (Commencement No. 3) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1466),
(3) Regulations, dated 7th October 1981, entitled the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas (Applications for Scheduled Monument Consent) (Scotland) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1467), and

[by Act].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Museums and Galleries.—Statements of indemnities for the loss of objects borrowed by—

(1) the Tate Gallery, and
(2) the Victoria and Albert Museum

[by Command].

Mr. Secretary Tebbit:


Mr. Secretary Heseltine:

Rating and Valuation.—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th October 1981, entitled the Rate Rebate (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1474) [by Act].

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

Forestry.—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th October 1981, entitled the Forestry (Exceptions from Restriction of Felling) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1476) [by Act].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Transport Docks Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the British Transport Docks Bill; and the same were agreed to.

London Transport (No. 2) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the London Transport (No. 2) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Cumbria Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message [22nd October] as relates to the Cumbria Bill [Lords] be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider so much of the said Message.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in their Resolution,—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Thirtieth-second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 18-xlvii].

Energy,—Mr. Ian Lloyd reported from the Energy Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them on 26th October.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 352-vii].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Antony Buck reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, 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. 243].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee relating to the Report to be printed [No. 243].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bob Cryer 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 (Twenty-sixth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 19-xxvii].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service 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) [The Form of the Estimates: Observations by HM Treasury on the Sixth Report from the Committee, Session 1980-81, HC 325].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 495].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service 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) [Financing of the Nationalised Industries: Observations by HM Treasury on the Eighth Report from the Committee, Session 1980-81, HC 348].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 496].

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

Private Bills,—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.:—

That the Promoters of the London Transport Bill have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereon, in order to proceed with the Bill, if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so be lodged in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than three o'clock on the day before the close of the present Session, and that all fees due thereon up to that period shall have been paid;
That such Bill shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments not later than three o'clock on the third day on which the House shall sit after the commencement of the next Session of Parliament, with a declaration annexed thereto, signed by the Agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings thereon in this House in the present Session;

That the proceedings on such Bill shall in the next Session of Parliament be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged to such stages;

That the Standing Orders by which the proceedings on Bills are regulated shall not apply in the next Session of Parliament to such Bill in regard to any of the stages through which the same shall have passed during the present Session.

New Member sworn,—William Henry Pitt, Esquire, Member for Croydon North West, was sworn.

Police Complaints (Reform),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reform the procedures for making complaints about the police; and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Alfred Dubs, Mr. Andrew Bennett, Mr. Michael Meacher, Mr. Christopher Price, Miss Jo Richardson, Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk, Mr. Clive Soley, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, and Mr. Ian Mikardo, do prepare and bring it in.

Police Complaints (Reform) Bill,—Mr. Alfred Dubs accordingly presented a Bill to reform the procedures for making complaints about the police; 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 207].

British Nationality Bill [allotted day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the British Nationality Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 17 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 18, in page 8, line 36, at end insert—

“(5A) If in the special circumstances of any particular case the Secretary of State thinks fit, he may treat subsection (1) as if the reference to five years after commencement were a reference to eight years after commencement, but shall not do so unless the person to whom the application relates would have been entitled to be registered under that subsection on an application made immediately before the end of the five years after commencement.”

An Amendment was proposed to the Lords Amendment, in line 3, to leave out from the word “ may ” to the word “ but ” in line 4 and insert the words “ disregard the references in subsections (1) and (5B) to five years after commencement and five years after the date on which he attains full age respectively ”; instead thereof. (Mr. John Tilley.)

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made to the Lords Amendment; The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Allen McKay: 199.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Peter Brooke, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 250.

So the Question was negatived.

The Lords Amendment was amended, in line 3, after the word “ if ”, by inserting “ (a) ”; in line 4, after the word “ commencement ”, by inserting the words “ or (b) where subsection (5B) applies as if the reference to five years from the date on which the person to whom the application relates attains full age were a reference to eight years from that date ”; in line 4, after the word “ so ”, by inserting the words “ in the case of an application based on paragraph (b) of subsection (1) ”; and in line 6, after the word “ application ”, by inserting the words “ so based ”—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)— and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 19, in page 8, line 36, at end insert—

“(5B) In the case of any person who is a minor at commencement, the reference to five years from the date on which he attains full age.”

The Lords Amendment was amended, in line 4, by leaving out from the word “ years ” to the end of the line 5 and inserting the words “ from the date on which he attains full age ”, instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

A consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in page 19, line 29, at the end, by inserting the words—

“(IA) In the case of any person who is a minor at commencement, the reference to five years from the date on which he attains full age.”—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)
Lords Amendments Nos. 20 to 24 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 25 was disagreed to.

An Amendment was made to the Bill, in lieu of Lords Amendment No. 25 disagreed to, by inserting the words—

“A. Acquisition by registration : nationals for purposes of the Community Treaties

B. A British Dependent Territories’ citizen who falls to be treated as a national of the United Kingdom for the purposes of the Community Treaties shall be entitled to be registered as a British citizen if an application is made for his registration as such a citizen.”—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw.)

Lords Amendments Nos. 26 to 28 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 29 was disagreed to.

An Amendment was made to the Bill, in lieu of Lords Amendment No. 29 disagreed to, in page 14, line 9, at the end, by inserting the words “(bbb) he is a British citizen by virtue of registration under section B; or”.—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw.)

Lords Amendments Nos. 30 to 32 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 33, in page 15, line 5, leave out “ citizen of the British Dependent Territories ” and insert “ British Dependent Territories’ citizen ”.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Richard Luce):—Debate arising ;

And it being Eight o’clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order yesterday, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

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

Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at Eight o’clock.

Consequential Amendments were made to the Bill by leaving out the words “ citizen of the British Dependent Territories ”, “ citizens of the British Dependent Territories ”, or “ citizenship of the British Dependent Territories ” and inserting the words “ British Dependent Territories’ citizen ”, “ British Dependent Territories’ citizens ”, or “ British Dependent Territories’ citizenship ” respectively in Clause 4, page 6, line 1; Clause 14, page 15, line 7; Clause 14, page 15, line 15; Clause 14, page 15, line 18; Clause 14, page 15, line 26; Clause 14, page 15, line 28; Clause 14, page 15, line 35; Clause 14, page 15, line 37; Clause 14, page 15, line 39; Clause 15, page 15, line 42; Clause 16, page 16, line 19; Clause 16, page 16, line 18, page 5, clause 17, page 19, line 7; Clause 18, page 19, line 21; Clause 19, page 19, line 33; Clause 19, page 19, line 34; Clause 19, page 19, line 41; Clause 19, page 20, line 2; Clause 19, page 20, line 20; Clause 19, page 20, line 36; Clause 20, page 20, line 40; Clause 20, page 20, line 21; Clause 20, page 21, line 3; Clause 20, page 21, line 9; Clause 21, page 21, line 12; Clause 22, page 21, line 34; Clause 22, page 22, line 10; Clause 22, page 22, line 13; Clause 22, page 22, line 29; Clause 22, page 23, line 1; Clause 22, page 23, line 18; Clause 23, page 23, line 36; Clause 24, page 24, line 2; Clause 24, page 24, line 6; Clause 24, page 24, line 12; Clause 24, page 24, line 24; Clause 24, page 24, line 26; Clause 24, page 24, line 28; Clause 24, page 24, line 33; Clause 24, page 24, line 36; Clause 24, page 24, line 41; Clause 24, page 24, line 44; Clause 24, page 25, line 1; Clause 24, page 25, line 5; Clause 24, page 25, line 8; Clause 25, page 25, line 23; Clause 26, page 25, line 41; Clause 36, page 29, line 6; Clause 39, page 34, line 6; Clause 39, page 34, line 7; Clause 40, page 34, line 44; Clause 41, page 37, line 6; Clause 41, page 37, line 15; Clause 41, page 37, line 20; Clause 42, page 37, line 31; Clause 42, page 37, line 36; Clause 49, page 45, line 14; Clause 50, page 46, line 41; Clause 50, page 47, line 3; Schedule 1, page 52, line 12; Schedule 1, page 52, line 23; Schedule 1, page 53, line 31; Schedule 2, page 55, line 44; Schedule 2, page 56, line 45; Schedule 2, page 57, line 36; Schedule 4, page 59, line 35; Schedule 4, page 59, line 49; Schedule 5, page 60, line 25; Schedule 7, page 62, line 34; Schedule 7, page 63, line 7; Schedule 7, page 63, line 16; Schedule 7, page 63, line 18; Schedule 7, page 64, line 27; Schedule 7, page 64, line 33; Schedule 7, page 65, line 10; Schedule 7, page 65, line 18; Schedule 7, page 66, line 2; and Schedule 7, page 66, line 17.—(Mr. Richard Luce.)

Lords Amendment No. 35, in page 15, line 40, at end insert—

“ ( ) Where an order in consequence of which any person became a citizen of the British Dependent Territories by virtue of subsection (5) ceases to have effect, whether on annulment or otherwise, the cesser shall not affect the status of that person as such a citizen.”

The Lords Amendment was amended, in line 2, by leaving out the words “ citizen of the British Dependent Territories ” and inserting the words “ British Dependent Territories’ citizen ”, instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.
Lords Amendment No. 37, in page 16, line 22, leave out subsections (2) to (5) and insert—

"(2) A person born outside the dependent territories shall be entitled, on an application for his registration as a citizen of the British Dependent Territories made within the period of twelve months from the date of the birth, to be registered as such a citizen if the requirements specified in subsection (3) or, in the case of a person born stateless, the requirements specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of that subsection, are fulfilled in the case of either that person's father or his mother ("the parent in question").

(3) The requirements referred to in subsection (2) are—

(a) that the parent in question was a citizen of the British Dependent Territories by descent at the time of the birth; and

(b) that the father or mother of the parent in question—

(i) was a citizen of the British Dependent Territories otherwise than by descent at the time of the birth of the parent in question; or

(ii) became a citizen of the British Dependent Territories otherwise than by descent at commencement, or would have become such a citizen otherwise than by descent at commencement but for his or her death; and

(c) that, as regards some period of three years ending with a date not later than the date of the birth—

(i) the parent in question was in a dependent territory at the beginning of that period; and

(ii) the number of days on which the parent in question was absent from that territory in that period does not exceed 270.

(4) If in the special circumstances of any particular case the Secretary of State thinks fit, he may treat subsection (2) as if the reference to twelve months were a reference to six years."

The Lords Amendment was amended, in lines 4, 10, 13 and 15 respectively, by leaving out the words " citizen of the British Dependent Territories " and inserting the words " British Dependent Territories' citizen ", instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment, in page 19, line 29, at end insert—

"(2) If in the special circumstances of any particular case the Secretary of State thinks fit, he may treat subsection (1) as if the reference to five years after commencement were a reference to eight years after commencement, but shall not do so unless the person to whom the application relates would have been entitled to be registered under that subsection on an application made immediately before the end of the five years after commencement.”

The Lords Amendment was amended, in line 3, after the word " if ", by inserting " (a) " and, in line 4, by leaving out from the word " commencement " to the end of line 7 and inserting the words " or " or

(b) where subsection (1A) applies, as if the reference to five years from the date on which the person to whom the application relates attains full age were a reference to eight years from that date " , instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 47, in page 21, line 21, at end insert—

"(1A) On an application for his registration as a citizen of the British Dependent Territories made by a person of full capacity who had before commencement ceased to be a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies as a result of a declaration of renunciation, the Secretary of State may, if he thinks fit, cause that person to be registered as a citizen of the British Dependent Territories if that person—

(a) has an appropriate qualifying connection with a dependent territory; or

(b) if a woman, has been married to a person who has, or would if living, have, such a connection."

The Lords Amendment was amended, in lines 2 and 6 respectively, by leaving out the words " citizen of the British Dependent Territories " and inserting the words " British Dependent Territories' citizen ", instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 49, in page 24, line 23, at end insert—

"(bb) he is a citizen of the British Dependent Territories by virtue of registration under section 16(1) and either—

(i) his father or mother was a citizen of the British Dependent Territories at the time of the birth; or

(ii) his father or mother was a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies at that time and became a citizen of the British Dependent Territories at commencement, or would have done so but for his or her death; or.”
The Lords Amendment was amended, in lines 2, 4 and 7 respectively, by leaving out the words "citizen of the British Dependent Territories" and inserting the words "British Dependent Territories' citizen", instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 53, in page 24, line 35, at end insert—

"(dd) subject to subsection (2), being a woman born outside the dependent territories before commencement, she is a citizen of the British Dependent Territories as a result of her registration as such a citizen under section 19 by virtue of being or having been married to a man who at commencement became such a citizen by descent or would have done so but for his having died or ceased to be a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies as a result of a declaration of renunciation; or ".

The Lords Amendment was amended, in line 3, by leaving out the words "citizen of the British Dependent Territories" and inserting the words "British Dependent Territories' citizen", instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 34, 36, 38 to 42, 44 to 46, 48, 50 to 52 and 54 to 60 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 61, in page 38, line 8, at the beginning insert "Subject to subsection (1) herein ".

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Timothy Raison);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Nick Budgen : 259.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Frank Haynes : 203.

So the Question was agreed to.

And it being after Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order yesterday, to put forthwith the Questions necessary for the disposal of the business to be concluded at Ten o'clock.

Lords Amendment No. 89, in page 66, line 21, at end insert—

" DEEP SEA MINING (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) ACT 1981 (c. 53) 1. In section 1 (prohibition of unlicensed deep sea mining)—

(a) in subsection (4), for 'citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies' substitute 'United Kingdom national';

(b) in subsection (5)(a), for 'citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies' and 'such citizens', substitute respectively 'United Kingdom nationals' and 'such nationals'; and

(c) in subsection (6), for the words from 'and references' onwards, substitute—

"'United Kingdom national' means—

(a) a British citizen, a citizen of the British Dependent Territories or a British Overseas citizen;

(b) a person who under the British Nationality Act 1981 is a British subject; or

(c) a British protected person (within the meaning of that Act).'

2. In section 14(3) (persons who may be guilty of offences under regulations), for 'a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies' substitute 'a British citizen, a citizen of the British Dependent Territories or a British Overseas citizen'.

The Lords Amendment was amended, in lines 11 and 18 respectively, by leaving out the words "a citizen of the British Dependent Territories" and inserting the words "British Dependent Territories' citizen, instead thereof—(Mr. Secretary Whitelaw)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 90 was agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to the Order yesterday, That a Committee was appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of their Amendments—(Mr. Timothy Raison) ; It was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, Mr. Roy Hattersley, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Timothy Raison, and Mr. Secretary Whitelaw, be members of the Committee.—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)

Ordered, That three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)

Ordered, That the Committee do withdraw immediately.—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)
British Nationality Bill.—Mr. Secretary Whitelaw reported from the Committee appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of their Amendments to the British Nationality Bill, That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House: And the same was read, as follows:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in page 38, line 8, for the following Reason:

Because discretionary decisions under the Act should not be subject to appeal to, or review in, the courts.

Prisons.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Postponement of Repeal) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1358), a copy of which was laid before this House on 28th September, be approved—(Mr. Patrick Mayhew);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. John Selwyn Gummer: 138.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Morton, Mr. Allen McKay: 70.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Imprisonment (Temporary Provisions) Act 1980 (Postponement of Repeal) Order 1981 (S.I., 1981, No. 1358), a copy of which was laid before this House on 28th September, be approved.

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the draft National Dock Labour Board (Increase of Loans Limit) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th October, be approved—(Mr. David Waddington);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 28th October, 1981:

And the Question being put:

Resolved, That the draft National Dock Labour Board (Increase of Loans Limit) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 19th October, be approved.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from citizens of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth for amendment of the law relating to paternity 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. Nick Budgen):—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 to One o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.37 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 27th October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Humphrey Atkins:

European Communities (No. 62, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, in the form of letters exchanged at Brussels on 11th May 1981, establishing fishing arrangements between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway for 1981 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8390].

Mr. Secretary Younger:
Fire Services (Scotland),—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Fire Services for Scotland for 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8375].

Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:

Mr. Secretary Jenkin:

[No. 161.]

Wednesday, 28th October, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

London Transport Bill,—Ordered, That the Lords Message yesterday relating to the London Transport Bill be now considered.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the said Message.

Ordered, That the Promoters of the London Transport Bill shall have leave to suspend proceedings thereon in order to proceed with that Bill in the next Session of Parliament, provided that the Agents for the Bill give notice to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office of their intention to suspend further proceedings not later than the day before the close of the present Session and that all Fees due on the Bill up to that date be paid.

Ordered, That on the fifth day on which the House sits in the next Session the Bill shall be presented to the House.

Ordered, That there shall be deposited with the Bill a Declaration signed by the Agents for the Bill, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of its proceedings in this House in the present Session.

Ordered, That the Bill shall be laid upon the Table of the House by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office on the next meeting of the House after the day on which the Bill has been presented and, when so laid, shall be read the first, second and third time and shall be recorded in the Journal of this House as having been so read.

Ordered, That no further Fees shall be charged in respect of any proceedings on the Bill in respect of which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session.

Ordered, That these Orders be Standing Orders of the House.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration), 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 1980-81.—(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 1980-81, (i) 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.)

Delegated Legislation,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Instruments considered in Session 1980-81 by the Joint Committee and the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments respectively pursuant to their orders of reference, showing in each case the numbers of Instruments subject to the different forms of parliamentary procedure and of those within the Committees' orders of reference for which no parliamentary procedure is prescribed by statute, and the numbers drawn to the special attention of the House or of both Houses distinguishing the ground in the Committees' orders of reference upon which such attention was invited; and of the numbers of Instruments considered by a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, &c., and by the House respectively, in Session 1980-81, showing the number where the Question on the proceedings relating thereto was put forthwith under Standing Order No. 73A(5).—(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 this House and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in Session 1980-81:

Of all Private Bills, Hybrid Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1980-81 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 elected 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 1980-81 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 1980-81, showing:

(1) the number which received the Royal Assent, and

(2) the number which did not receive the Royal Assent, indicating those which were introduced into 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 Prorogation or Dissolution.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Select Committees,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Select Committees in Session 1980-81, with the sub-committees appointed by them; the number of the meetings of each and the number of meetings each Member attended; and the number of Members who served on Select Committees; together with the total cost (estimated where necessary) in respect of each Select Committee and sub-committee both for the Session 1980-81 and for the financial year 1980-81 of:—the attendance of witnesses; overseas visits; visits within the United Kingdom; specialist advisers' remuneration and expenses respectively; and other work commissioned; entertainment; the preparation for publication of the Minutes of Evidence; and printing and publishing; 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 1980-81 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 the 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 1980-81, 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 other items referred to Standing Committees pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committees on Statutory Instruments, &c.) or Standing Order No. 73B (Standing Committee on European Community Documents) 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 other items as above 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 other item, 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 1980-81; 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 1980-81, 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.)

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

European Legislation, &c.—Mr. Julius Silverman reported from the Select Committee on European Legislation, &c., 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 (Thirty-fourth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 32-xxxiv].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 32-xxxiv].

Members' Salaries.—Mr. Peter Thomas reported from the Select Committee on Members' Salaries, 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 (Special Report) [Inquiry not completed].

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 499].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 499].

Treasury and Civil Service.—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before their Sub-Committee on 28th October.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 360-vi].

Agriculture.—Minutes of Proceedings of the Agriculture Committee to be printed [No. 476].

Defence.—Minutes of Proceedings of the Defence Committee to be printed [No. 477].

Education, Science and Arts.—Minutes of Proceedings of the Education, Science and Arts Committee to be printed [No. 478].

Employment.—Minutes of Proceedings of the Employment Committee to be printed [No. 479].
Energy,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Energy Committee to be printed [No. 480].

Environment,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Environment Committee to be printed [No. 481].

Foreign Affairs,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Foreign Affairs Committee to be printed [No. 482].

Home Affairs,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Home Affairs Committee to be printed [No. 483].

Industry and Trade,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Industry and Trade Committee to be printed [No. 484].

Liaison Committee,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Liaison Committee to be printed [No. 485].

Members' Interests,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Members' Interests to be printed [No. 486].

Public Accounts,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Public Accounts to be printed [No. 487].

Scottish Affairs,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee on Scottish Affairs to be printed [No. 488].

Social Services,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Social Services Committee to be printed [No. 489].

Sound Broadcasting,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Sound Broadcasting to be printed [No. 498].

Statutory Instruments,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments to be printed [No. 490].

Statutory Instruments,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments to be printed [No. 491].

Transport,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Transport Committee to be printed [No. 492].

Treasury and Civil Service,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee to be printed [No. 493].

Welsh Affairs,—Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee on Welsh Affairs to be printed [No. 494].

Economic Policies of Her Majesty's Government,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House has no confidence in the economic policies of Her Majesty's Government which have pushed the registered total of unemployed people to shameful levels, have dealt a series of most damaging blows to British industry, and offer no hope of recovery; and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to present to Parliament before the end of the year a range of fresh measures designed to reverse the present disastrous trends—(Mr. Michael Foot);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Donald Coleman: 250.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Robert Boscawen: 312.

So the Question was negatived.

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.42 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Wednesday 28th October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

**Mr. Nicholas Ridley:**
Iron and Steel,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on—
(1) 25th August 1981,
(2) 11th September 1981,
(3) 11th September 1981,
(4) 11th September 1981,
(5) 11th September 1981,
(6) 11th September 1981,
(7) 11th September 1981 and
(8) 11th September 1981
on loans raised by the British Steel Corporation [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Younger:**
Agriculture,—Copy of the Report as to Proceedings of the Scottish Land Court in 1980 [by Command] [Cmnd. 8328].
Parole Board,—Copy of the Report of the Parole Board for Scotland for 1980 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 469].

**Secretary Sir Keith Joseph:**
Social Science Research Council,—Copy of the Report of the Social Science Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Tebbit:**
Industrial Training,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Shipbuilding Industry Training Board for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Fowler:**
Social Security,—Copy of a Report by the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council, entitled Industrial Diseases: a Review of the schedule and the question of individual proof [by Command] [Cmnd. 8393].

**Mr. Secretary Heseltine:**
Water,—Copies of the Reports and Accounts of—
(1) the Anglian Water Authority,
(2) the National Water Council,
(3) the Northumbrian Water Authority,
(4) the North West Water Authority,
(5) the Severn-Trent Water Authority,
(6) the Southern Water Authority,
(7) the South West Water Authority,
(8) the Thames Water Authority,
(9) the Water Space Amenity Commission,
(10) the Wessex Water Authority, and
(11) the Yorkshire Water Authority
for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Edwards:**
Water,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Welsh Water Authority for the year ended 31st March 1981 [by Act].

**Mr. Secretary Prior:**

**Mr. Secretary Howell:**
Transport,—Statements of determination of the salaries of—
(1) the Chairman and members of the National Ports Council,
(2) the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the British Transport Docks Board and
(3) the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the National Bus Company
[by Act].
Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Law Commissions,—Copy of a Report of the Law Commission on breach of confidence [by Command] [Cmnd. 8388].

Employment Protection,—Copy of the Accounts of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service and of the Certification Officer and the Central Arbitration Committee for the year ended 31st March 1981; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 497].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the Sixth Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration for Session 1980-81 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 470].

[No. 162.]

Thursday, 29th October, 1981.

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

PRAYERS.

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

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

The Lords concur with the Commons in their Message of Wednesday 21st October relating to the Humberside Bill [Lords].

Sittings of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, Mr. Speaker shall not adjourn the House until any Lords Message relating to any Bill which may be received shall have been disposed of.—(Mr. Peter Brooke.)

Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments in lieu of a Commons Amendment, Lords Amendments to Commons Amendments, a consequential Amendment made by the Lords and Lords Reason for disagreeing to certain Commons Amendments to the Wildlife and Countryside Bill [Lords].

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 21 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 22; Lords Reason for disagreeing to certain Commons Amendments.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on its Amendment in page 57, line 7.—(Mr. Neil MacFarlane.)

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on its Amendment in page 57, line 20.—(Mr. Neil MacFarlane.)

Lords Amendments Nos. 23 to 25 were agreed to.

Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (General betting duty).

Amendment (No. 1) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 16 agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Bingo duty).

Amendments (Nos. 2 to 4) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 18 to 22 agreed to.

Clause No. 32 (Amount of duty).

Amendments (Nos. 5 to 8) made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 24 to 34 agreed to.

Clause No. 35 (Short title, construction, commencement and extent).

Amendment (No. 9) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.
Schedule No. 7 (Repeals).
Amendments (Nos. 10 to 12) agreed to.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donald Thompson 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.

Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.
Clause No. 7 (Interpretation).
Amendments (Nos. 1 and 2) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 8 to 35 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donald Thompson 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.

New Towns Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the New Towns Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 82 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 10 agreed to.
Schedule No. 11 (Saving and transitional provisions).
Amendment (No. 1) made.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Schedule No. 12 (Consequential amendments).
Amendment (No. 2) made.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Schedule No. 13 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donald Thompson 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.

Northern Ireland,—Resolved, That the draft Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, which was laid before this House on 9th July, be approved.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

European Commission Report on the Mandate,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the Report of the European Commission on the Mandate of 30th May 1980 (COM (81) (300)) and fully supports Her Majesty's Government in their determination to negotiate a satisfactory solution to the problems of budgetary contributions, to achieve reforms of the Common Agricultural Policy and to give an impetus to the development of Community policies—(Mr. Humphrey Atkins);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "notes that the proposals contained in the Commission Document (COM (81) (300)) of 22nd June 1981 in respect of the Mandate of 30th May 1980 are totally inadequate to remove the heavy burden imposed upon the economy of the United Kingdom by the Common Agricultural Policy and the budgetary arrangements of the Community; further notes that that burden can only be removed by jettisoning the antiquated mechanisms of the Common Agricultural Policy so that the British consumer is free to buy food at the lowest prices; and urges Her Majesty's Government to reject any new arrangements which fail to ensure that the United Kingdom's contributions to the Community Budget do not exceed its receipts", instead thereof.—(Mr. Denzil Davies.)

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

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Report of the European Commission on the Mandate of 30th May 1980 (COM (81) (300)) and fully supports Her Majesty's Government in their determination to negotiate a satisfactory solution to the problems of budgetary contributions, to achieve reforms of the Common Agricultural Policy and to give an impetus to the development of Community policies.

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 certain of their Amendments to the British Nationality Bill, without Amendment; they do not insist on certain of their Amendments to which this House has disagreed, and have agreed to the Amendments made by this House in lieu thereof, without Amendment; they have agreed to the consequential Amendments made by this House, without Amendment; and they do not insist on their Amendment to which this House has disagreed.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Betting and Gaming Duties Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Acquisition of Land Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the New Towns Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Companies (No. 2) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

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

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. Tony Newton):—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.]
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Thursday 29th October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Humphrey Atkins:
European Communities (No. 63, 1981).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Brussels on 8th May 1981, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federative Republic of Yugoslavia on trade in textile products [by Command] [Cmnd. 8392].

Shipping (Miscellaneous No. 16, 1981).—Copy of Additional Protocol No. 2, signed at Strasbourg on 17th October 1979, to the Revised Convention for Rhine Navigation of 17th October 1868, as amended on 20th November 1963, together with Protocol of Signature (the United Kingdom has not ratified the Additional Protocol) [by Command] [Cmnd. 8309].

Mr. Secretary Nott:
Defence (Army).—Copy of an Order, dated 16th October 1981, amending Regulations included in the Ulster Defence Regiment Order 1980 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Tebbit:

Mr. Secretary Prior:
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The House met at half-past Nine o’clock.

PRAYERS.

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

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners,—

A Message from the Lords Commissioners was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty’s Commission for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers where a Commission was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the following Acts and for proroguing this present Parliament.

The Royal Assent was given to the following Acts:

1 Education (Scotland) Act 1981.
2 Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981.
3 Trustee Savings Banks Act 1981.
4 Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981.
5 Broadcasting Act 1981.
6 Education Act 1981.
7 Companies Act 1981.
8 Acquisition of Land Act 1981.
9 Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1981.
And afterwards Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor (in pursuance of Her Majesty's Command), as follows:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons

The Duke of Edinburgh and I recall with great pleasure the joy and affection shown by so many people on the marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

We were pleased to receive the State Visits of Their Majesties the King and Queen of Nepal in November, the President of Nigeria in March and His Majesty the King of Saudi Arabia in June.

We look back with much pleasure on the visits we have made over the past year. We visited Belgium, the Commission of the European Communities, and the Headquarters of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation in November and Norway in May. We have just returned from visits to Australia, New Zealand and Sri Lanka. As Head of the Commonwealth, I was present in Melbourne on the occasion of the Commonwealth Conference.

We were greatly saddened by the deaths of President Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh and President Anwar Sadat of Egypt.

My Government welcomed the independence of Belize and its decision to join the Commonwealth. My Government took an active part in the successful Conference on Reconstruction and Development held in Salisbury in March.

My Government have worked within the North Atlantic Alliance to strengthen our common defence, have fulfilled their commitment to increase defence spending, and have announced plans to reshape Britain's defence forces.

My Government took part in consultations within the Alliance in preparation for the negotiations between the United States and the Soviet Union on long-range theatre nuclear forces. They have joined in other arms control and disarmament negotiations and have strongly supported the proposal for a Conference on Disarmament in Europe.

My Government played a constructive role in the search for solutions to the problems in East-West relations. On behalf of the Member States of the European Community, they have presented proposals for a Conference to enable Afghanistan to resume its independent status.

My Government welcomed the accession of Greece to the European Community. On 1st July the United Kingdom assumed the Presidency of the Council of Ministers. Discussions have begun on the review of Community policies and the budget. Agreement has been reached in the Community on safeguarding the steel industry. My Government have taken part in discussions on the Common Agricultural Policy and a revised Common Fisheries Policy. Agreement has been reached on fishery conservation measures and improved marketing arrangements.

My Government continue to seek a negotiated peace in the Arab-Israel conflict on the basis of the statement made at Venice by the Heads of State and Government of the Community last year.

The United Kingdom took part in the summit meetings near Ottawa in July and at Cancun in October.

My Government have continued to participate in efforts to achieve a settlement in Namibia, and have supported efforts to solve the problem caused by Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia.

Members of the House of Commons

I thank you for the provision which you have made for the honour and dignity of the Crown and for the public services.

Measures have been passed to promote and protect the natural environment.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may attend you.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission which has been now read we do, in Her Majesty's name, and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Wednesday the fourth day of November, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Wednesday the fourth day of November next.
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Friday 30th October 1981

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Jock Bruce-Gardyne:

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(2) 2nd October 1981,
(3) 5th October 1981,
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(6) 9th October 1981,
(7) 12th October 1981,
(8) 13th October 1981,
(9) 14th October 1981,
(10) 15th October 1981, and
(11) 16th October 1981

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