

1951.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1951.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., according to the terms of the Resolution of the 13th July last.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. RETURNS TO WRITS—BALACLAVA AND MACQUARIE DIVISIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received Returns to the Writs which he had issued on the 28th June last for the election of Members to serve for the Electoral Divisions of Balaclava, in the State of Victoria, and Macquarie, in the State of New South Wales, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of the Honorable Thomas Walter White and the death of the Right Honorable Joseph Benedict Chifley, respectively. By endorsement on the Writs, it was certified that Percy Ernest Joske had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Balaclava, and that Anthony Sylvester Luchetti had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Macquarie, in pursuance of the said Writs.
3. MEMBERS SWORN.—Percy Ernest Joske, Esquire, and Anthony Sylvester Luchetti, Esquire, were introduced, and made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
4. ILLNESS OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved—
That we, the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, express our deep sympathy with His Majesty The King, Her Majesty The Queen and the Members of the Royal Family in the illness of His Majesty. We are gratified that His Majesty is recovering from his serious operation and we fervently hope that he may be speedily restored in health and strength.
And Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) having spoken in support of the motion—
Question—put and passed.
5. HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI.—ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth the following communication in connexion with the Address in Reply :—

MR. SPEAKER,

I desire to acquaint you that the Address in Reply at the Opening of the Twentieth Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia has been laid before His Majesty The King, and I am commanded to convey to you and to Honourable Members, His Majesty's sincere thanks for the loyal message which your Address contained.

19th July, 1951.

J. NORTHCOTT,
Administrator.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Ministers of State Bill 1951*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 18.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Ministers of State Act 1935-1947'*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 14th July, 1951.

EDWARD MATTNER,
President.

[*Defence Bill 1951*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 19.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Defence Act 1903-1950'*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 14th July, 1951.

EDWARD MATTNER,
President.

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[*Defence Preparations Bill 1951*]

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 20.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Defence Preparations necessary during the present International Emergency*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 14th July, 1951.

EDWARD MATTNER,
President.

7. MESSAGES FROM THE DEPUTY OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Deputy of the Governor-General were received, and were read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 14.

Proposed Laws intituled:—

" *Commonwealth Bank Act 1951* "" *Ministers of State Act 1951* "

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Deputy of the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,
Sydney, 16th July, 1951.

J. NORTHCOTT,

Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 15.

Proposed Laws intituled:—

" *Conciliation and Arbitration Act (No. 2) 1951* "" *Defence Act 1951* "" *Defence Preparations Act 1951* "

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Deputy of the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,
Canberra, 19th July, 1951.

8. MINISTERIAL CHANGES.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) formally announced that following the amendment of the Ministers of State Act increasing the maximum number of Ministers, Mr. McMahon had been appointed Minister for the Navy and Minister for Air.

Mr. Menzies also announced that during the absence in London of Mr. McEwen, Senator McLeay (Minister for Shipping and Transport) would act as Minister for Commerce and Agriculture.

9. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Bank Act—Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank as at 30th June, 1951; together with Auditor-General's reports thereon.

The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth—

Tariff Board—Reports—

Alarm Clocks

Calipers.

Carpenters' Chisels.

Carpenters' Planes.

Centrifuges.

Cigars.

Culinary Herbs.

Electrically Operated Cloth Cutting Machines.

Ester Plasticizers.

Felt Polishing Bobs.

Hand Hacksaw Blades.

Internal Combustion Engines and Reduction Gear Units for Internal Combustion Engines.

Magnet Winding Wire.

Metal-Working Lathes.

Mounted Projection Lenses.

Plastic Intermediate Materials.

Plastic Sheeting, Printed, Polished or Embossed.

Portable Electric Hand Tools.

Spades.

Spirit Levels.

Spokeshaves.

Storage Battery Locomotives.

Synthetic Resins.

Textile Piece Goods in Strip Form with Hooks and Eyes attached.

Tool Tips having a basic composition of Tungsten; and Machine Tools, Metal-Working, Tipped with alloys having a basic composition of Tungsten, Tantalum, Cobalt, Boron, Titanium and Alloys thereof.

Torch Cases.

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The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

- Apple and Pear Organization Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules, 1951, No. 82.
- Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1949–50.
- Broadcasting Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 50.
- Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 49.
- Commonwealth Bank Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 42.
- Commonwealth Railways Act—By-law No. 89.
- Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 64.
- Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 71, 75.
- Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 47, 48.
- Dairy Produce Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 60.
- Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 56.
- Defence Preparations Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 84.
- Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—
 - National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and Designs (9). Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 45, 61, 68, 83.
- Distillation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 80.
- Dried Fruits Export Control Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 65.
- Egg Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 62.
- Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 81.
- Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—
 - Banking purposes—Mount Barker, Western Australia.
 - Defence purposes—
 - Bathurst, New South Wales.
 - Bendigo, Victoria.
 - Bohle River, Townsville, Queensland.
 - Cooktown, Queensland.
 - Dandenong, Victoria.
 - Greenbank, Queensland.
 - Pinjarra, Western Australia.
 - Sale, Victoria.
 - Schofields, New South Wales.
 - Thursday Island, Queensland.
 - Unley, South Australia.
 - Department of Civil Aviation purposes—
 - Bacchus Marsh, Victoria.
 - Cleve, South Australia (substitute copy).
 - Cunnamulla, Queensland.
 - Eagle Farm, Queensland (2).
 - Essendon, Victoria.
 - Geraldton, Western Australia.
 - Mangalore West, Victoria.
 - Mascot, New South Wales.
 - Monto, Queensland.
 - Department of Trade and Customs purposes—Cottesloe, Western Australia.
 - Immigration purposes—
 - Belmont, New South Wales.
 - Cabramatta, New South Wales.
 - Dundas, New South Wales.
 - Lithgow, New South Wales.
 - Penrith, New South Wales.
 - Postal purposes—
 - Avoca, Victoria.
 - Broadmeadow, New South Wales.
 - Geelong, Victoria.
 - Guyong, New South Wales.
 - Hallett, South Australia.
 - Keilor East, Victoria.
 - Queanbeyan, New South Wales.
 - Rosebud, Victoria.
- National Health Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 63.
- Nationality and Citizenship Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 46, 86.
- Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 52, 53, 66, 76, 87.
- Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 67.
- Northern Territory (Administration) Act—
 - Ordinances—1951—
 - No. 2—Tuberculosis.
 - No. 3—Mining.
 - No. 4—Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages.
 - Regulations—1951—
 - Nos. 3 and 4 (Darwin Administration Ordinance).
 - No. 5 (Alice Springs Administration Ordinance).
 - No. 6 (Apprentices Ordinance).

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Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1951—

- No. 14—Poor Persons' Legal Assistance.
- No. 15—Supply (No. 1) 1951-52.
- No. 16—Evidence (New Guinea).
- No. 17—Port Moresby Water Supply.
- No. 18—Insolvency (New Guinea).
- No. 19—Amendments Incorporation.
- No. 20—Superannuation (Papua and New Guinea).
- No. 21—Liquor (Papua).
- No. 22—Liquor (New Guinea).
- No. 23—Adoption of Children.
- No. 24—Deserted Wives and Children (New Guinea).
- No. 25—Native Women's Protection.
- No. 26—Forestry (Papua).
- No. 27—Forestry (New Guinea).

Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 51.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 72, 73, 74.

Public Service Act—

Appointments—Department—

- Air—K. J. Holmes, J. J. Thompson.
- Attorney-General—J. W. Bates.
- Civil Aviation—W. E. Forty, R. N. Lake.
- Commerce and Agriculture—K. L. Kinsman, F. N. Robinson.
- Defence—D. T. Forsyth.
- External Affairs—R. R. Fernandez.
- Health—B. C. Bonner, E. J. R. Burton, A. A. Carson, E. Clement, R. H. Hook.
- Interior—J. P. McMahon.

Postmaster-General—M. I. Allen, W. H. Bloxham, N. C. Breddy, K. N. Brown, H. E. Coleman, N. D. Crew, M. H. Crisp, G. G. Gahan, J. B. Goodfellow, A. V. Helm, F. G. Keaney, R. W. Lawry, M. A. O'Grady, G. Page-Hanify, J. E. Rule, T. M. Sabine, A. G. Savage, E. F. W. Shuttleworth, J. F. Sinnatt, N. M. H. Smith, A. F. Weekes.

Repatriation—J. Andrews, M. H. Boxhall, K. B. Burwood, E. L. Davey, M. E. Dennis, V. G. S. Desgrand, J. F. S. McKee, I. Miles, E. H. Sims, P. A. Tod, R. M. Withers.

Social Services—J. E. Bayly, L. Taylor.

Supply—W. D. Allan, R. S. Appleford, G. F. Auberson, J. H. Auld, L. Austin, K. Bailey, J. S. Baker, D. E. Baum, J. H. H. Beale, K. R. Bussell, J. P. Callinan, M. F. Carney, C. G. Carter, R. A. Coyle, K. A. Cross, J. S. Danger, N. S. Dempster, J. C. Ellis, L. H. Esmore, J. F. Finegan, A. T. Fowler, R. W. Gibbons, T. P. Gill, A. S. Goodin, G. Gourley, A. C. Gray, J. R. V. Groves, W. M. Harper, M. Hatherly, J. G. Hayes, A. F. Heather, G. E. Helme, E. H. Hirsch, T. A. Hood, J. F. Horwood, C. F. Howie, W. H. J. Jackson, V. J. Jenkin, G. Karoly, N. J. Kelly, W. B. Kenn, P. J. Knuckey, A. B. Kohn, I. R. Lamborn, G. J. Lincoln, S. A. Lott, H. K. Lutwak, C. O. Malmgren, M. D. Marks, G. G. McDonald, W. A. Moore, T. O. Mulhearn, J. F. Nankivell, J. W. Nethercote, W. J. Nunn, C. G. O'Connell, C. F. Osborn, R. B. Pover, R. N. Ride, R. M. Robb, K. N. Rowles, V. D. Rowlston, E. J. Scott, K. C. Seddon, R. W. Sheldon, M. Shnider, J. Stapleton, B. A. Stone, M. F. Sweeny, C. R. H. Taylor, H. D. Thom, S. Thomas, A. L. Thompson, L. L. Valentine, A. P. Vulcan, B. A. Walton, P. F. Weinrich, R. N. Whitem, P. A. Wibrow, T. W. Wickens, A. R. Williams, R. G. Woodward, W. Worth, P. J. Wrigglesworth, F. S. Young, M. C. Zenner.

Treasury—J. M. Reed.

Works and Housing—J. G. Brownlow, G. E. Cox, M. J. Dabourne, J. E. Dale, E. W. Gooley, J. W. G. Haller, W. S. Macready-Bryan, K. R. McGeachin, E. M. Moore, A. C. Mudd, E. W. N. Oxlad, L. T. Ryan, T. W. G. Seefeld, K. G. Sweet, D. E. Watkins, G. R. Wraight.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, Nos. 77, 78 (Parliamentary Officers).

Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 79.

Re-establishment and Employment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 57.

Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 58.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Ordinances—1951—

- No. 7—Court of Petty Sessions.
- No. 8—City Area Leases.
- No. 9—Real Property.

Regulations—1951—

- No. 2 (Advisory Council Ordinance).
- No. 3 (Motor Traffic Ordinance).
- No. 4 (Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance).

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Notice of variation of plan of lay-out of City of Canberra and its environs, dated 10th September, 1951.

Services Trust Funds Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 54.

Superannuation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 59.

War Service Estates Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 55.

Wool (Contributory Charge) Acts (No. 1)—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 69.

Wool (Contributory Charge) Acts (No. 2)—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 70.

Wool (Reserve Prices) Fund Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 85.

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10. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Question—put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) proposing to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The actions of the Government in dismissing ten thousand employees from the Public Service of the Commonwealth"—

Mr. Speaker called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Evatt moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 64.				
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McBride	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham		Mr. Timson	Mr. Gullett

NOES, 45.				
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Russell
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Creamean	Mr. E. James Harrison	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. James	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Keon	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser		Mr. Riordan	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 46.				
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Russell
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Creamean	Mr. E. James Harrison	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. James	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Keon	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser		Mr. Riordan	

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Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McBride	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham		Mr. Timson	Mr. Gullett

And so it was negatived.

12. MESSAGES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.—ESTIMATES 1951-52.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth were presented, and were read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Administrator.

Message No. 16.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia transmits to the House of Representatives Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

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J. NORTHCOTT,
Administrator.

Message No. 17.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia transmits to the House of Representatives Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works and Other Services involving Capital Expenditure for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

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Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

13. SUPPLY—BUDGET STATEMENT.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) delivered the Budget Speech and then moved, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division No. 1.—Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances £16,400

be agreed to.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. PAPERS.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth—

The Budget 1951–52—Papers presented by the Right Honorable Sir Arthur Fadden, K.C.M.G., M.P., for the information of honorable Members on the occasion of the Budget of 1951–52. National Income and Expenditure 1950–51.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

15. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Eighteenth Report, 1951.

16. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the taking of all necessary steps for the introduction, and motions for the first and second reading, of the following Bills:—Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications), Wool Sales Deduction Legislation Repeal, Broadcasting, Social Services Consolidation, States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) (No. 2), States Grants, States Grants (Administration of Controls Reimbursement), Loan (War Service Land Settlement), Loan (Housing), Supply (No. 2) and Supply (Works and Services) (No. 2). Question—put and passed.

17. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1951.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1950*.

Question—put and passed.

Sir Arthur Fadden then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Calwell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

18. WAYS AND MEANS—SALES TAX.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved—

1. That, on and after the twenty-seventh day of September, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, in lieu of the sales tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 1) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 2) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 3) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 4) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 5) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 6) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 7) 1930–1950*, the *Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930–1950* and the *Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930–1950*, sales tax be imposed at the following rates, but otherwise in accordance with the provisions of those Acts:—

- (a) in respect of goods covered by the Second Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act—20 per centum;
- (b) in respect of goods covered by the Third Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act—25 per centum;
- (c) in respect of goods covered by the Fourth Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act—33½ per centum;
- (d) in respect of goods covered by the Fifth Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act—50 per centum;

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- (e) in respect of goods covered by the Sixth Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act—66½ per centum ; and
- (f) in respect of goods not covered by the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act and on the sale value of which it is not provided by that Act that sales tax shall not be payable—12½ per centum.

2. That, for the purposes of the foregoing resolution, “ the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act ” mean the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935-1950* as proposed to be amended by the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Bill 1951*.
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

19. WOOL SALES DEDUCTION LEGISLATION REPEAL BILL 1951.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to repeal the *Wool Sales Deduction (Administration) Act 1950*, the *Wool Sales Deduction Act (No. 1) 1950*, and the *Wool Sales Deduction Act (No. 2) 1950*, and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

Sir Arthur Fadden then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Pollard moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

20. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 1 AND 2), EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 1 AND 2) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 1).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—
CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 1).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff 1933-1950*, be amended as hereinafter set out, and that on and after the twenty-seventh day of September, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff 1933-1950* as so amended.

2. That, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1.) of these Proposals, the Governor-General may, from time to time by Proclamation declare that, from a time and date specified in the Proclamation, the Intermediate Tariff shall apply to such goods specified in the Proclamation as are the produce or manufacture of any British or foreign country specified in the Proclamation.

3. That on and after the time and date specified in a Proclamation issued in accordance with the last preceding paragraph, the Intermediate Tariff shall apply to such goods specified in the Proclamation as are the produce or manufacture of a British or foreign country specified in that Proclamation.

4. That any Proclamation issued in accordance with paragraph (2.) of these Proposals may, from time to time, be revoked or varied by a further Proclamation, and upon the revocation or variation of the Proclamation, the Intermediate Tariff shall cease to apply to the goods specified in the Proclamation so revoked, or, as the case may be, the application of the Intermediate Tariff to the goods specified in the Proclamation so varied, shall be varied accordingly.

5. That in these Proposals, unless the contrary intention appears—

“ Proclamation ” means a Proclamation by the Governor-General, or the person for the time being administering the government of the Commonwealth, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, and published in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* ;

“ the Intermediate Tariff ” means the rates of duty set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, in the column headed “ Intermediate Tariff ”, in respect of goods in relation to which the expression is used.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION I.—ALE, SPIRITS, AND BEVERAGES.

13. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“ (B) Containing more than 35 per cent. and up to and including 40 per cent. of proof spirit—

- (1) In bulk per gallon
- (2) In bottle* per gallon

And in addition to the rates of duty applicable under paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) of this sub-item—

for each one-tenth of one per cent. of proof spirit exceeding 35 per cent. per gallon

16s. 6d.	18s.	18s.
9s.	12s.	22s.
.9d.	1.2d.	1.2d.”

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division I.—Ale, Spirits, and Beverages—*continued.*13.—*continued.*

By omitting the footnote reading—

“† The nearest $\frac{1}{10}$ th of 1 per cent. to be taken in charging duty.”

DIVISION IV.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND GROCERIES.

60. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item:—

“60. Herbs, not medicinal, dried, not packed for retail sale

Free

Free

Free”

DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.

105. By omitting from the heading to sub-item (N) the words “Piece Goods, viz.:—” and inserting in their stead the following:—

“Piece goods, not including those otherwise provided for under Item 369 (F), viz.:—”

113. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

“(B) N.E.L., including mittens - - - ad val.

Free

12½ per cent.

22½ per cent.”

122. By adding a new sub-item (F) as follows:—

“(F) Textile strip in the piece, having hooks or eyes attached, of the type ordinarily used in the manufacture of corsets and brassieres - ad val.

15 per cent.

27½ per cent.

37½ per cent.”

DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.

174. By omitting the whole of paragraph (177) of sub-item (M).

By omitting the whole of paragraph (17) of sub-item (V).

By omitting the whole of paragraph (35) of sub-item (X).

176. By omitting from the heading to sub-item (C) the words “Machines and machinery, metal working—” and inserting in their stead the following:—

“Metal-working machinery and tools for use in connexion therewith—”

By adding to sub-item (C) a new paragraph (3) as follows:—

“(3) Lathes, other than those covered by Item 174 (M) (25) (u) (2), with all-g geared headstocks, known as sliding surfacing and screw-cutting or chasing lathes, with or without moveable tailstocks, and modifications of this type in which one or more of the functions usually performed by such lathes have been eliminated or varied - ad val.

12½ per cent.

25 per cent.

30 per cent.”

By adding to sub-item (C) a new paragraph (4) as follows:—

“(4) Tools, tipped with alloys having a basic composition of tungsten, tantalum, cobalt, boron, titanium, and alloys thereof - - - ad val.

12½ per cent.

25 per cent.

30 per cent.”

By omitting from sub-item (F) the words “Lathes, precision,” and inserting in their stead the following:—

“Lathes, precision, other than those covered by Item 176 (C) (3),”

IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division VI.—Metals and Machinery—<i>continued.</i>			
176.— <i>continued.</i>			
By adding a new sub-item (v) as follows :—			
“ (v) Machines being hand tools, portable, electrically driven, but not including spray guns, viz. :—			
(1) Coal and stone drilling machines including motors imported with and for use therewith - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.
(2) Drilling machines n.e.i., polishing machines, grinding machines and sanding machines, including motors imported with and for use therewith but not including such machines the motors of which operate on an alternating current frequency exceeding 60 cycles per second - ad val.	12½ per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.
(3) Other, including motors not exceeding 1 horse-power imported with and for use therewith - - - - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (x) as follows :—			
“ (x) Machines, cloth-cutting, electrically operated—			
(1) Portable hand tools - - - - - ad val.	10 per cent.	22½ per cent.	27½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.”
177. By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :—			
“ (2) Locomotives—			
(a) Operated by electrical storage batteries ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(b) Other - - - - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	52½ per cent.	52½ per cent.”
178. By omitting the whole of sub-item (D). By omitting the whole of sub-item (r) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“ (r) Internal combustion engines (other than those included under Item 178 (j), viz. :—			
(1) Marine, including reversing gear and reduction gear imported therewith and for use therewith—			
(a) Up to and including 25 horse-power - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
(b) Exceeding 25 horse-power ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(2) Other—			
(a) Up to and including 60 horse-power - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
(b) Exceeding 60 horse-power ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
For the purposes of this sub-item horse-power shall be determined as prescribed by Departmental By-laws.”			
181. By adding to sub-item (B) a new paragraph (4) as follows :—			
“ (4) Magnet winding wire - - - - - ad val.			
For the purposes of this paragraph, magnet winding wire shall be as defined by Departmental By-laws.”			
10 per cent.			
22½ per cent.			
30 per cent.			
206. By adding a new sub-item (H) as follows :—			
“ (H) Torch cases—			
(1) Designed to use not more than two electric dry cells, such cells not to exceed ½-inch diameter - - - - - ad val.			
10 per cent.			
55 per cent.			
55 per cent.			
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.			
10 per cent.			
55 per cent.			
55 per cent.			
<i>and per torch case</i>			
1s. 6d.			
1s. 6d.			
1s. 6d.”			

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IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

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Division VI.—Metals and Machinery—continued.

208. By adding a new sub-item (q) as follows :— “(q) Tips, tool, having a basic composition of tungsten carbide - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.”
215. By adding a new sub-item (c) as follows :— “(c) Hand hacksaw blades— (1) When containing 14 per cent. or more of tungsten - - - - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.”
219. By inserting a new sub-item (c) as follows :— “(c) Hand tools— (1) (a) Adzes and sledge hammers - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(b) Cane cutting knives - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(c) Secateurs - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(d) Tinsmiths' snips or shears - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(e) Axes and hatchets - - - - - ad val.	15 per cent.	22½ per cent.	27½ per cent.
(2) (a) Carpenters' claw hammers; engineers' hammers - - - - - ad val.	15 per cent.	22½ per cent.	30 per cent.
(b) Carpenters' chisels - - - - - ad val.	10 per cent.	17½ per cent.	22½ per cent.
(c) Carpenters' planes, wholly or principally of metal - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(d) Spirit levels— (1) Principally of metal - ad val.	10 per cent.	17½ per cent.	25 per cent.
(2) Principally of wood - ad val.	10 per cent.	22½ per cent.	30 per cent.
(3) (a) Spokeshaves— (1) Wholly or principally of metal ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(b) Calipers - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (d) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(d) (1) Spades n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	7½ per cent.	15 per cent.	20 per cent.
(2) Shovels n.e.i.; post-hole spades - ad val.	17½ per cent.	32½ per cent.	42½ per cent.”

DIVISION VII.—OILS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES.

232. By omitting the whole of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(E) Synthetic resins, synthetic oils, and preparations containing synthetic resins, in a form suitable for and when in that form principally used in the manufacture of paints enamels or varnishes, viz. :— (1) Alkyd resins in dry viscous or solution form, modified phenol formaldehyde resins in dry form, phenol formaldehyde resins in solution form, rosin esters in dry or solution form, urea formaldehyde resins in solution form, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - ad val.	10 per cent.	22½ per cent.	27½ per cent.
(2) Other than those prescribed by Departmental By-laws under paragraph (1) of this sub-item, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - -	Free	Free	Free
(3) Other - - - - - per gallon or ad val.	17½ per cent.	32½ per cent.	37½ per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.”			

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IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

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DIVISION VIII.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONE.

250. By omitting the whole of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(F) Articles of glass and articles of etched or engraved glass including any two or more of the articles enumerated in this sub-item when imported in combination with one another (but not including articles covered by sub-items (B) and (E)), viz. :— Dishes, tumblers, salads, bowls other than lightingware, nappies, jugs, candlesticks, butters, battery jars or cells, vases, trays, comports, flowerblocks, mugs, sundaes, goblets, measures including medicine measures - - - - - ad val. or per dozen pieces whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	5 per cent. ..	30 per cent. 10d.	45 per cent. 11d.
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DIVISION IX.—DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

266. By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (c).			
281. By omitting the whole of sub-item (v) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(v) Strychnine and strychnine salts— (1) When not packed for retail sale - ad val. (2) When packed for retail sale - - - ad val. By adding a new sub-item (w) as follows :— “(w) Sodium bichromate, potassium bichromate, basic chromium sulphate, chromic acid and sodium chromate - - - - - ad val. By adding a new sub-item (x) as follows :— “(x) Phenol - - - - - ad val.”	Free 10 per cent. 20 per cent. 22½ per cent.	10 per cent. 17½ per cent. 35 per cent. 47½ per cent.	12½ per cent. 22½ per cent. 37½ per cent. 47½ per cent.”
285. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(B) Medicines and other preparations included in sub-item (A)— (1) Not being similar to the medicines and other preparations commercially manufactured or produced in Australia, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - - ad val. (2) Not being similar to the medicines and other preparations commercially manufactured or produced in Australia or the United Kingdom, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - -	Free Free	10 per cent. Free	10 per cent. Free ”

DIVISION XI.—JEWELLERY AND FANCY GOODS.

318. By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(3) Clocks n.e.i., viz. :— ■ (a) Spring alarm, having a dial opening of which the smallest dimension through the centre and inside the bezel exceeds 2¼ inches and having a value for duty not exceeding 20s. ■ each - - - - - ad val. ■ (b) Other - - - - - ad val.”	20 per cent. Free	37½ per cent. 17½ per cent.	47½ per cent. 27½ per cent.”
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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division XI.—Jewellery and Fancy Goods—<i>continued.</i>			
318.— <i>continued.</i>			
By omitting the whole of paragraph (1) of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :—			
“ (1) Clock movements n.e.i. and parts n.e.i. therefor, viz. :—			
(a) Spring alarm clock movements, complete or substantially complete, whether assembled partly assembled or un-assembled, the value for duty of which does not exceed 14s. per movement	ad val.		
(b) Other	ad val.		
20 per cent.	37½ per cent.	47½ per cent.	
10 per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	
320. By adding a new sub-item (D) as follows :—			
“ (D) Cinematograph mounted projection lenses—			
(1) Of the type used in cinematographs having a film width capacity not greater than 17.5 millimetres	ad val.		
(2) Other	ad val.		
Free	10 per cent.	15 per cent.	
Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.	

DIVISION XII.—HIDES, LEATHER AND RUBBER.

331. By adding to sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2) of sub-item (B) a new clause (4) as follows :—			
“ (4) Having a width or diameter not less than 1 inch and not greater than 2 inches			
	ad val.		
5 per cent.	22½ per cent.	22½ per cent.	

DIVISION XIII.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.

334. By omitting from sub-item (J) the following words :—			
“ offset and ”.			

DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

369. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—			
“ 369. Goods not included under any other heading in the Tariff, viz. :—			
(A) Of asbestos, bone, casein or other protein plastic, celluloid, indurated fibre, ivory, papier-maché, or pulp			
	ad val.		
30 per cent.	47½ per cent.	55 per cent.	
(B) (1) Of synthetic resin, not included under any other sub-item of this Item			
	ad val.		
30 per cent.	47½ per cent.	55 per cent.	
(2) Of cellulose acetate or cellulose acetate butyrate, not included under any other sub-item of this Item			
	ad val.		
30 per cent.	47½ per cent.	55 per cent.	
(C) Synthetic resins, not processed, or processed to a lesser extent than the state of blocks films rods sheeting sheets strips tubes or other preformed shapes, and synthetic resin moulding compounds, viz. :—			
(1) Of the phenolic type, including phenol cresol xylenol and resoreinol condensation products with aldehydes—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws			
	ad val.		
Free	Free	Free	
(b) Other	ad val.		
30 per cent.	47½ per cent.	55 per cent.	

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division XVI.—Miscellaneous—*continued.*

369.—*continued.*

“ 369.—Goods, &c.—*continued.*

(c) Synthetic resins, &c.—*continued.*

(2) Of the amino type, including urea and melamine condensation products with aldehydes—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free
(b) Other - - ad val.	25 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(3) Of the vinyl or vinylidene type, in any polymerized or copolymerized form—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free
(b) Other - - ad val.	25 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(4) Of a type other than those included in paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of this sub-item—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free
(b) Other - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(d) Synthetic resins processed to the state of, but not further than, blocks films rods sheeting sheets strips tubes or other preformed shapes, viz. :—			
(1) Of the phenolic type, including phenol cresol xylenol and resorcinol condensation products with aldehydes ad val.	30 per cent.	47½ per cent.	55 per cent.
(2) Of the amino type, including urea and melamine condensation products with aldehydes ad val.	25 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(3) Of the vinyl or vinylidene type, in any polymerized or copolymerized form - ad val.	25 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(4) Of a type other than those included in paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of this sub-item ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(e) (1) Cellulose acetate or cellulose acetate butyrate, not processed, or processed to a lesser extent than the state of blocks films rods sheeting sheets strips tubes or other preformed shapes, and moulding compounds of the cellulose acetate or cellulose acetate butyrate type, viz. :—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free
(b) Other - - ad val.	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(2) Cellulose acetate or cellulose acetate butyrate, processed to the state of, but not further than, blocks films rods sheeting sheets strips tubes or other preformed shapes - ad val.	7½ per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division XVI.—Miscellaneous—*continued.*369.—*continued.*"369.—Goods, &c.—*continued.*

(F) Films sheeting or sheets, supported with textile fabric; films sheeting or sheets, which have been printed polished or embossed or subjected to any combination of these processes; coated textile fabrics including leather cloth and imitation oil baize; viz. :—

(1) Produced from or prepared with synthetic resin—

(a) Of the phenolic type, including phenol cresol xylenol and resorcinol condensation products with aldehydes - ad val.

30 per cent. 47½ per cent. 55 per cent.

(b) Of the amino type, including urea and melamine condensation products with aldehydes - ad val.

25 per cent. 40 per cent. 45 per cent.

(c) Of the vinyl or vinylidene type, in any polymerized or co-polymerized form - ad val.

25 per cent. 40 per cent. 45 per cent.

(d) Of a type other than those included in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this paragraph - ad val.

Free 12½ per cent. 12½ per cent.

(2) Produced from or prepared with cellulose acetate or cellulose acetate butyrate - ad val.

7½ per cent. 20 per cent. 25 per cent."

374. By omitting from the heading to sub-item (D) the words "Packings, viz. :—" and inserting in their stead the following :—

"Packings of the following kinds and materials (excepting materials enumerated in sub-items (A), (B) and (C) of this Item or in Items 105, 136, 139 and 326) suitable for cutting into packings of the following kinds, viz. :—"

409. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

"(A) Passengers' personal effects as prescribed by Departmental By-laws and subject to such conditions as are prescribed by Departmental By-laws; Passengers' furniture and household goods which have been in actual use by such passengers for at least one year, not exceeding £400 Australian currency in value for each adult passenger*"

Free

Free

Free

* Two members of a family, being children, may be reckoned as one adult."

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IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division XVI.—Miscellaneous—continued.			
417. By adding a new sub-item (D) as follows :— “(D) Goods donated or bequeathed by any person or organization domiciled or established outside Australia to any organization established in Australia for the purpose of performing work of a philanthropic nature provided such organization and purpose be as approved by the Minister, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free ”
418. By adding a new sub-item (a) as follows :— “(a) Apparatus for the testing and analysis of milk, wine and other agricultural products, viz. :— Centrifuges - - - - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.”
419. By omitting from sub-item (A) the following words :— “Syringes, except of glass or rubber ; ” By adding a new sub-item (i) as follows :— “(i) Syringes other than of glass or rubber, viz. :— (1) Hypodermic, composed of metal and glass being of capacities up to and including 20 cubic centimetres - - - - - ad val. (2) Other - - - - - ad val.	15 per cent. Free	32½ per cent. 17½ per cent.	32½ per cent. 17½ per cent.”

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1950 be amended as hereinafter set out, and that, on and after the twenty-seventh day of September, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1950 as so amended.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION I.—ALE, SPIRITS, AND BEVERAGES.			
1. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “1. Ale and other beer, porter, cider and perry, spirituous :— (A) In containers not exceeding one gallon* per gallon (B) Otherwise - - - - - per gallon * Six reputed quarts or twelve reputed pints or twenty-four reputed half-pints to be charged as one gallon.”	8s. 5d. 7s. 11d.	11s. 8d. 10s. 2d.	11s. 8d. 10s. 2d.
3. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(A) Brandy— (1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon (2) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon	88s. 6d. 88s. 6d.	89s. 6d. 89s. 6d.	99s. 6d. 99s. 6d.”
By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(2) Other— (a) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon (b) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon	99s. 6d. 99s. 6d.	102s. 6d. 102s. 6d.	102s. 6d. 102s. 6d.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(c) Gin, distilled wholly from barley malt, grain, grape wine or fruit, and certified in the prescribed form by the competent Government official in the country of production to be gin distilled wholly from barley malt, grain, grape wine or fruit— (1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon	95s. 6d. 95s. 6d.	96s. 6d. 96s. 6d.	101s. 6d. 101s. 6d.”

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division I.—Ale, Spirits, and Beverages—*continued.*3—*continued.*

By omitting the whole of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(D) Rum, pure, distilled wholly from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof and certified in the prescribed form by the competent Government official in the country of production to be pure rum distilled wholly from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, under the conditions specified—

(1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon

93s. 6d.

96s. 6d.

100s. 6d.

(2) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon

93s. 6d.

96s. 6d.

100s. 6d.”

By omitting the whole of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(E) Blended rum, distilled wholly from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure spirit which has been separately distilled from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof and certified in the prescribed form by the competent Government official in the country of production to be rum distilled wholly from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, under the conditions specified and so blended—

(1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon

94s. 6d.

97s. 6d.

101s. 6d.

(2) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon

94s. 6d.

97s. 6d.

101s. 6d.”

By omitting the whole of sub-item (G) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(G) Bitters—

(1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon

98s. 6d.

101s. 6d.

103s. 6d.

(2) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon

98s. 6d.

101s. 6d.

103s. 6d.”

By omitting the whole of sub-item (H) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(H) Liqueurs; flavoured spirituous liquors, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws—

(1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon

87s. 6d.

87s. 6d.

100s. 6d.

(2) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon

87s. 6d.

87s. 6d.

100s. 6d.”

By omitting the whole of sub-item (I) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(I) Other—

(1) When not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon

106s. 6d.

106s. 6d.

106s. 6d.

(2) When exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon

106s. 6d.

106s. 6d.

106s. 6d.”

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IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION II.—TOBACCO AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.			
20. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 20. Tobacco, cut, n.e.i.— (A) The manufacture of the United Kingdom, containing not less than 15 per cent. by weight of stemmed Australian-grown tobacco leaf (or its equivalent in terms of unstemmed tobacco leaf) to the total stemmed tobacco leaf (or its equivalent in terms of unstemmed tobacco leaf) used in the manufacture of such tobacco per lb.	19s. 8d.		
(B) Other - - - - - per lb.	20s. 11d.	21s. 11d.	21s. 11d.”
21. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 21. Tobacco, manufactured, n.e.i., including the weight of tags, labels and other attachments— (A) The manufacture of the United Kingdom, containing not less than 15 per cent. by weight of stemmed Australian-grown tobacco leaf (or its equivalent in terms of unstemmed tobacco leaf) to the total stemmed tobacco leaf (or its equivalent in terms of unstemmed tobacco leaf) used in the manufacture of such tobacco per lb.	19s. 5d.		
(B) Other - - - - - per lb.	20s. 8d.	21s. 8d.	21s. 8d.”
22. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 22. Cigarettes, including weight of cards and mouth-pieces contained in inside packages; fine cut tobacco suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes— (A) The manufacture of the United Kingdom, containing not less than 3 per cent. by weight of stemmed Australian-grown tobacco leaf (or its equivalent in terms of unstemmed tobacco leaf) to the total stemmed tobacco leaf (or its equivalent in terms of unstemmed tobacco leaf) used in the manufacture of such cigarettes or fine cut tobacco - per lb.	37s.		
(B) Other— (1) Cigarettes including weight of cards and mouth-pieces contained in inside packages - per lb.	37s.	37s.	40s. 4d.
(2) Fine cut tobacco suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes - per lb.	38s. 4d.	40s. 4d.	40s. 4d.”
24. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 24. Cigars, including the weight of bands and ribbons per lb.	35s. 3d.	35s. 3d.	37s. 3d.”

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 1).

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1950 be amended as hereinafter set out, and that, on and after the twenty-seventh day of September, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, at five o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Excise be collected in pursuance of the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1950 as so amended.

EXCISE DUTIES.

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
2. By omitting from sub-item (j) the words “ for use in the manufacture of wine ”. By omitting sub-item (q) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “ (q) Spirit for use in public hospitals, or for use in the manufacture of medicinal preparations for use in public hospitals and universities, subject to Regulations	Free ”
13. By omitting the whole item.	
20. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 20. Coal, not being coal the property of a State, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	7½d.”

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EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff* 1921-1950 be amended as hereinafter set out, and that, on and after the twenty-seventh day of September, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, at five o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Excise be collected in pursuance of the *Excise Tariff* 1921-1950 as so amended.

EXCISE DUTIES.

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
1. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—	
"1. Beer—	
(A) Ale, porter, and other beer, containing not less than 2 per cent. of proof spirit	7s. 2d.
(B) Any other fermented liquors n.e.i. containing not less than 2 per cent. of proof spirit which may by Proclamation be declared dutiable under this item	7s. 2d.
For the purposes of this item beer means any fermented liquor brewed from a mash of malted or other grains or extracts from malted or other grain with or without sugars or glucose or both sugars and glucose, hops or other vegetable bitters."	
2. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
" (A) Brandy, distilled wholly from wine, the fermented juice of fresh grapes, by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 40 per cent. over proof, matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years and certified by an officer to be pure brandy	84s. 6d."
By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
" (B) Blended Brandy, distilled wholly from wine, the fermented juice of fresh grapes, and containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure spirit (which has been separately distilled from wine, the fermented juice of fresh grapes, by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 40 per cent. over proof), the whole being matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years, and certified by an officer to be brandy so blended and matured	84s. 6d."
By omitting the whole of sub-item (C) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
" (C) Apple Brandy, distilled wholly from apple cider and Brandies distilled from other approved fruit juices by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 40 per cent. over proof, matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years, and certified by an officer to be pure apple or pure fruit brandy	84s. 6d."
By omitting the whole of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
" (D) Whisky, distilled wholly from barley malt by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof, matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years, and certified by an officer to be pure malt whisky	85s. 6d."
By omitting the whole of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
" (E) (1) Australian Blended Whisky, distilled partly from barley malt and partly from other grain, containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure barley malt spirit (which has been separately distilled by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof), the whole being matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years, and certified by an officer to be whisky so blended and matured	85s. 6d.
(2) Blended Whisky, n.e.i., distilled partly from barley malt and partly from other grain, containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure barley malt spirit (which has been separately distilled by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof), provided that the blended whisky contains not less than 15 per cent. of Australian pure barley malt spirit and contains not more than 20 per cent. of spirit upon which import duty has been paid, the whole being matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years, and certified by an officer to be whisky so blended and matured	85s. 6d."

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EXCISE DUTIES—continued.

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
2—continued.	
By omitting the whole of sub-item (r) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (r) Rum, distilled wholly from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof, matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years, and certified by an officer to be pure rum	per proof gallon 87s. 6d.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (c) Blended Rum, distilled wholly from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure spirit (which has been separately distilled from sugar, sugar syrup, molasses, or the refuse of sugar cane, by a pot-still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 45 per cent. over proof), the whole being matured by storage in wood for a period of not less than two years and certified by an officer to be rum so blended and matured	per proof gallon 88s. 6d.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (n) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (n) Gin, distilled from barley malt, grain, grape wine, apples, or other approved fruit and certified by an officer to be pure gin	per proof gallon 87s. 6d.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (o) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (o) Spirits, n.e.i.	per proof gallon 96s. 6d.”
5. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—	
“ 5. (A) Liqueurs, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	per proof gallon 86s. 6d.
(B) Liqueurs, n.e.i.	per proof gallon 96s. 6d.
(c) Flavoured spirituous liquors, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	per proof gallon 86s. 6d.”
6. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (A) *Tobacco, hand-made strand :—	
(1) In the manufacture of which all the tobacco leaf used is Australian-grown	per lb. 13s. 6d.
(2) Otherwise	per lb. 14s. 2d.
* HAND-MADE TOBACCO.—“ Hand-made Tobacco ” shall mean tobacco in the manufacture of which all operations are entirely carried on by hand without the aid of machine tools or machinery other than that used in the pressing of the tobacco.”	
By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (B) Tobacco, manufactured, n.e.i. :—	
(1) In the manufacture of which all the tobacco leaf used is Australian-grown	per lb. 13s. 9d.
(2) Otherwise	per lb. 14s. 5d.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—	
“ (c) Tobacco, fine cut suitable for the manufacture of cigarettes :—	
(1) In the manufacture of which all the tobacco leaf used is Australian-grown	per lb. 25s. 2d.
(2) Otherwise	per lb. 25s. 10d.”
7. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—	
“ 7. Cigars—	
(A) *Hand-made	per lb. 16s. 11d.
* HAND-MADE CIGARS.—“ Hand-made cigars ” shall mean cigars in the manufacture of which every operation is performed by hand, provided that moulds may be used.	
(B) Machine-made	per lb. 17s. 11d.”
8. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—	
“ 8. Cigarettes, including the weight of the outer portion of each cigarette :—	
(A) †Hand-made	per lb. 25s. 7d.
† HAND-MADE CIGARETTES.—“ Hand-made ” shall mean that the whole of the operations connected with the filling and completion of cigarettes shall be performed exclusively by hand.	
(B) N.E.I.	per lb. 25s. 10d.”

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CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (No. 1).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1950* be amended as hereinafter set out, and that, on and after the twenty-seventh day of September, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in accordance with the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1950* as so amended.

Consecutive No.	Tariff Item.	Tariff Rates on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of New Zealand.
24	By omitting from the particulars specified opposite Consecutive No. 24, the following :— “ (c) Corsets and inserting in its stead the following :— “ (c) Corsets, including combined garments of which corsets form a part	17½ per cent. ad val.” 17½ per cent. ad val.”
64	By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 64. <i>Ex 177 (A) (2)</i> Locomotives, other than locomotives operated by electrical storage batteries .	17½ per cent. ad val.”
66	By omitting the whole item.	
100	By omitting the whole item.	

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

21. BROADCASTING BILL 1951.—Mr. Anthony (Postmaster-General) moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Broadcasting Act 1942-1950*.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Anthony then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Anthony moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Calwell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

22. SOCIAL SERVICES CONSOLIDATION BILL 1951.—Mr. Townley (Minister for Social Services) moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1950*.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Townley then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Townley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Clarey moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

23. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.—STATES GRANTS (SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) BILL (No. 2) 1951.—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Administrator.

Message No. 18.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States.

Canberra, 26th September, 1951.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States.

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Question—put and passed.
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Arthur Fadden and Mr. Holt do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Sir Arthur Fadden then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. T. P. Burke moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

24. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.—STATES GRANTS BILL 1951.—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Administrator.

Message No. 19.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.

Canberra, 26th September, 1951.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Arthur Fadden and Mr. Eric J. Harrison do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Sir Arthur Fadden then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. T. P. Burke moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

25. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.—LOAN (WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT) BILL 1951.—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Administrator.

Message No. 20.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money.

Canberra, 26th September, 1951.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Arthur Fadden and Mr. Kent Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Sir Arthur Fadden then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Haylen moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

26. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.—LOAN (HOUSING) BILL 1951.—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Administrator.

Message No. 21.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising of Moneys to be advanced to the States for the purposes of Housing.

Canberra, 26th September, 1951.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Casey (Minister representing the Minister for National Development) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising of Moneys to be advanced to the States for the purposes of Housing.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Casey and Mr. Kent Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Casey then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. A. D. Fraser moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

27. SUPPLY—SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1951-52.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the service of the year 1951-52 a sum not exceeding £68,060,000.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

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28. WAYS AND MEANS—SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1951-52.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1951-52, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £68,060,000.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Arthur Fadden and Mr. Kent Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

29. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1951-52.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Calwell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

30. SUPPLY—SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 2) 1951-52.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the service of the year 1951-52, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure, a sum not exceeding £28,031,000.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

31. WAYS AND MEANS—SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 2) 1951-52.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure for the year 1951-52, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £28,031,000.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Arthur Fadden and Mr. Kent Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

32. SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 2) 1951-52.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Calwell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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33. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes to ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davies, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leslie, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Nelson and Sir Earle Page.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.