

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 112

THURSDAY, 26 AUGUST 1971

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- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITIONS: Mr Fairbairn (Minister for Defence) presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House make legal provision for (1) the allowance of personal education expenses as a taxation deduction, (2) the removal of the present age limit in respect of the deduction for education expenses, (3) an increase in the deduction allowable for tertiary education expenses and (4) the exemption of non-bonded scholarships for part-time students from income tax.
- Petition received.
- Mr Bryant presented a petition from certain electors of Victoria praying that this House will repeal the National Service Act, remove from the record all convictions made under it, and cause Charles Martin and Geoffrey Mullen, and all others imprisoned under it, to be released and cease all further prosecutions under it.
- Petition received and read.
- Mr Bryant informed the House that he proposed to take action in connection with the petition, and moved—That the petition be printed.
- Question—put and passed.
- Mr Hurford, Mr Birrell and Mr Nicholls presented petitions from certain electors of South Australia praying that this House will repeal the National Service Act, and cause Charles Martin, and all others imprisoned under it, to be released.
- Petitions severally received.
- Mr Enderby presented a petition from certain residents of Australia praying that this House will take steps to appoint a Standing Committee which will (a) consider all petitions presented to the House and (b) recommend to the House any action which it thinks should be taken with respect to them.
- Petition received and read.
- Mr England and Mr Robinson presented petitions from certain electors of Australia praying that the Government revise its interpretation of the Geneva Protocol of 1925 relating to chemical agents of warfare, and declare that it regards all chemical substances employed for their toxic effects on man, animals or plants, as being included in the prohibitions laid down by that Protocol.
- Mr Cohen and Mr James presented petitions from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government increase immediately pensions by \$5.00 per week, child endowment to \$3.60 per week per child and the maternity allowance to at least \$117.00 for each child born.
- Petitions severally received.
- Mr Enderby presented a petition from certain students of Class 6L of Griffith Primary School in the Australian Capital Territory praying that this House will take immediate steps to provide them with teachers for high school.
- Petition received and read.

Mr Kirwan presented a petition from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House give earnest consideration to the crisis in Aboriginal welfare which exists in the South West Land Division of Western Australia.

Mr Gun presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that the Federal Government and all State Governments recognise the right of Aboriginal people of Australia to own and control certain lands and be paid compensation for lands lost and that the Australian people inform themselves as to the present conditions of Aborigines on reserves in Australia.

Petitions severally received.

3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

4 STATEMENT BY MEMBER—LEAVE TO MAKE NOT GRANTED: Mr Hurford asked leave to make a statement.
Objection being raised, leave not granted.

5 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED: Mr Scholes moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Adelaide making a statement.

Debate ensued.

Closure: Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir William Aston, in the Chair)—

AYES, 58

Mr C. Adermann	Mr England	Mr Hunt	Mr Pettitt
Mr Anthony	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Reid
Mr Bate	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jess	Mr Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Forbes	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Brown	Mr Garland	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
Mr Buchanan	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Swartz
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr Mackay	Mr Wentworth
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hamer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Whittorn
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Howson	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Dobie	Mr Hughes	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Fox
Mr Drury	Sir A. Hulme	Mr Peacock	Mr Turnbull

NOES, 51

Mr Armitage	Mr Cope	Mr Hansen	Mr Martin
Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hayden	Mr Morrison
Mr Beazley	Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Nicholls
Mr Bennett	Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Patterson
Mr Berinson	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Sherry
Mr Bryant	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	Mr Uren
Mr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr Keogh	Mr Webb
Mr Cohen	Mr Garrick	Mr Kirwan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Griffiths	Mr Klugman	Mr Duthie
Mr Connor	Mr Gun	Mr Luchetti	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—
The House divided (the Speaker, Sir William Aston, in the Chair)—

AYES, 52

Mr Armitage	Mr Cope	Mr Hayden	Mr Nicholls
Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr Patterson
Mr Beazley	Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kennedy	Mr Webb
Mr Calwell	Mr Foster	Mr Keogh	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Fulton	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Klugman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cohen	Mr Griffiths	Mr Luchetti	
Mr Collard	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Duthie
Mr Connor	Mr Hansen	Mr Morrison	Mr James

NOES, 59

Sir C. Adermann	Mr England	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pettitt
Mr Bate	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jarman	Mr Reid
Mr Bonnett	Mr Forbes	Mr Jess	Mr Robinson
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Brown	Mr Garland	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Buchanan	Mr Giles	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr Lynch	Mr Swartz
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hamer	Mr Mackay	Mr Wentworth
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr MacKellar	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Howson	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Dobie	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	Mr Fox
Mr Drury	Sir A. Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

6 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Stevedoring Industry Act—Australian Stevedoring Industry Authority—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1969–70.

7 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY EVIDENCE (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) BILL 1971: Message No. 197, dated 26 August 1971, a.m., from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An Act to make temporary provision for the Law of Evidence in the Australian Capital Territory*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr N. H. Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate, by leave, ensued.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Bowen moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

8 INTERNATIONAL CURRENCY SITUATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr McMahon (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement on the current international currency situation, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

International currency situation—Ministerial statement, 26 August 1971.

Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr Fox), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

- 9 PHOSPHATE FERTILIZERS BOUNTY BILL 1971: Mr Sinclair (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to extend the Period in respect of which Phosphate Fertilizer Bounty is payable.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Sinclair moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hayden), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 10 SOCIAL SERVICES BILL (No. 2) 1971: Mr Wentworth (Minister for Social Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Social Services Act 1947–1970*, as amended by the *Social Services Act 1971*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Wentworth moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hayden), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 11 MINISTER'S APPEARANCE ON TELEVISION PROGRAMME—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Wentworth (Minister for Social Services), by leave, made a ministerial statement regarding his intention to appear on a television programme.

- 12 REPATRIATION BILL (No. 2) 1971: Mr Holten (Minister for Repatriation), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Repatriation Act 1920–1970*, as amended by the *Repatriation Act 1971*, so as to provide for Increases in the Rates of certain Pensions and Allowances payable to certain persons, and for purposes connected therewith, and to appropriate the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purpose of certain payments resulting from those amendments.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Holten moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Barnard—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 13 SEAMEN'S WAR PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES BILL (No. 2) 1971: Mr Nixon (Minister for Shipping and Transport), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940–1970*, as amended by the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1971*, so as to provide for Increases in the Rates of certain Pensions and Allowances.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Nixon moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Barnard—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 14 RAILWAY AGREEMENT (WESTERN AUSTRALIA) BILL 1971: Mr Nixon (Minister for Shipping and Transport), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Railway Agreement (Western Australia) Act 1961*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Nixon moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15 ORDER OF THE DAY NO. 1—GRIEVANCE DEBATE: It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., order of the day No. 1 (Grievance debate—pursuant to standing order 106) was not called on.

16 STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—REPORT DATED 19 AUGUST 1971: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Swartz (Leader of the House)—That the Report of the Standing Orders Committee brought up on 20 August 1971 be adopted, and that the standing orders of the House be amended as recommended by that Committee, to come into operation on Tuesday, 28 September 1971—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Martin, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “standing order 40 be omitted and the following standing order be inserted in place thereof:

‘40. Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet for the despatch of business on each Tuesday at half-past ten o'clock a.m. ^{Days and hours of meeting.} and Wednesday at half-past two o'clock p.m., and on each Thursday at half-past ten o'clock a.m. rising at six o'clock p.m. on each Thursday.’—

Debate resumed.

Closure: Mr Jess moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55

Sir C. Adermann	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pettitt
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jarman	Mr Reid
Mr Bonnett	Mr Forbes	Mr Jess	Mr Robinson
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Garland	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Brown	Mr Giles	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Buchanan	Mr Gorton	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
Mr Bury	Mr Graham	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr Lynch	Mr Swartz
Mr Calder	Mr Hamer	Mr Mackay	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Corbett	Mr Howson	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Dobie	Sir A. Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock	Mr Fox

NOES, 50

Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Nicholls
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Patterson
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Birrell	Mr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Keogh	Mr Turnbull
Mr Calwell	Mr Fulton	Mr Kirwan	Mr Uren
Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Klugman	Mr Webb
Mr Collard	Mr Griffiths	Mr Luchetti	
Mr Connor	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cope	Mr Hayden	Mr McIvor	Mr Duthie
Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 97

Sir C. Adermann	Mr Daly	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Davies	Mr Hurford	Mr Patterson
Mr Barnard	Mr Dobie	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Peacock
Mr Bennett	Mr Drury	Mr Jacobi	Mr Pettitt
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr James	Mr Reid
Mr Birrell	Mr England	Mr Jarman	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bonnett	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jess	Mr Robinson
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Fairbairn	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr Brown	Mr Forbes	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Sherry
Mr Bryant	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Jones	Mr Sinclair
Mr Buchanan	Mr Fulton	Mr Katter	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Garland	Mr Kelly	Mr Stewart
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Giles	Mr Kennedy	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Keogh	Mr Swartz
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Killen	Mr Turnbull
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Griffiths	Mr Kirwan	Mr Turner
Mr Cass	Mr Gun	Mr Lloyd	Mr Uren
Mr Cohen	Mr Hallett	Mr Luchetti	Mr Webb
Mr Collard	Mr Hamer	Mr Lynch	Mr Wentworth
Mr Connor	Mr Hansen	Mr Mackay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cope	Mr Hayden	Mr MacKellar	
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Howson	Mr McIvor	
Mr Crean	Mr Hughes	Mr Nicholls	
Mr Cross	Sir A. Hulme	Mr Nixon	

Tellers:

Mr Duthie
Mr Fox

NOES, 12

Mr Armitage	Mr Foster	Mr Klugman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Garrick	Mr Morrison	Mr Beazley
Mr Calwell	Mr Keating	Mr Solomon	Mr Martin
Mr Everingham			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the report of the Standing Orders Committee brought up on 20 August 1971 be adopted, and that the standing orders of the House be amended as recommended by that Committee, to come into operation on Tuesday, 28 September 1971—put.

Closure: Mr Giles moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55

Sir C. Adermann	Mr England	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pettitt
Mr Anthony	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Reid
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jess	Mr Robinson
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Forbes	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Brown	Mr Giles	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Buchanan	Mr Gorton	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
Mr Bury	Mr Graham	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr Lynch	Mr Swartz
Mr Calder	Mr Hamer	Mr Mackay	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Corbett	Mr Howson	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	
Mr Dobie	Sir A. Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock	

Tellers:

Mr Fox
Mr Turnbull

NOES, 53

Mr Armitage	Mr Cope	Mr Hayden	Mr Morrison
Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr Nicholls
Mr Beazley	Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Sherry
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	Mr Uren
Mr Calwell	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Keogh	Mr Webb
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Fulton	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Klugman	
Mr Cohen	Mr Griffiths	Mr Luchetti	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Duthie
Mr Connor	Mr Hansen	Mr McIvor	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 77

Mr Anthony	Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Patterson
Mr Armitage	Mr England	Mr Jess	Mr Peacock
Mr Barnard	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Pettitt
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reid
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Forbes	Mr Jones	Mr Reynolds
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Giles	Mr Katter	Mr Robinson
Mr Brown	Mr Gorton	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Buchanan	Mr Graham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Bury	Mr Griffiths	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr Calder	Mr Hansen	Mr Luchetti	Mr Street
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr Lynch	Mr Swartz
Mr Connor	Mr Howson	Mr Mackay	Mr Turnbull
Mr Cope	Mr Hughes	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
Mr Corbett	Sir A. Hulme	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Martin	
Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr McIvor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cross	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Morrison	Mr Duthie
Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Nixon	Mr Fox
Mr Dobie	Mr James	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 29

Mr Beazley	Mr Cohen	Mr Gun	Mr Uren
Mr Bennett	Mr Collard	Mr Hayden	Mr Webb
Mr Berinson	Mr Davies	Mr Kelly	Mr Wentworth
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr Kennedy	
Mr Bryant	Mr Everingham	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Calwell	Mr Foster	Mr Klugman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Nicholls	Sir C. Adernann
Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Stewart	Mr Fulton

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

17 SELECT COMMITTEE ON PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Prime Minister had appointed Mr L. H. Irwin to be a member of the Select Committee on Pharmaceutical Benefits in the place of Mr Garland (Minister for Supply).

18 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1971-72—BUDGET DEBATE: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “the House condemns the Budget because (a) it breaks the Prime Minister’s pledge to Parliament on taking office to bring into effect for 1971-72 a fundamental review of social services and of methods for adjusting them, (b) it contains no proposals to balance the finances and functions of the Commonwealth, the States and local government and (c) it produces no programmes for high national objectives of social welfare, economic strength and national security”—

Debate resumed.

Count-out: Mr Gun called the attention of the Deputy Speaker (Mr Lucock) to the fact that a quorum of Members was not present.

The bells having been rung, and a quorum not having been obtained within the prescribed time, Mr Deputy Speaker thereupon, at seven minutes to five o'clock p.m., adjourned the House until Tuesday, 7 September, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 26 August 1971, pursuant to statute:

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for post office purposes—Glen Innes, New South Wales.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Barnes, Mr J. F. Cairns, Mr Chipp, Mr Grassby, Mr Jenkins, Mr King, Mr McLeay and Mr Wallis.

A. G. TURNER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives