

**Extract from Hansard**

[ASSEMBLY — Thursday, 13 September 2018]

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**CAMP SCHOOLS — FAIRBRIDGE WA CONTRACT**

*Standing Orders Suspension — Motion*

**MS M.J. DAVIES (Central Wheatbelt — Leader of the Nationals WA)** [3.00 pm] — without notice: I move —

That so much of standing orders be suspended as is necessary to enable the following motion to be moved forthwith —

That in the interests of transparency and accountability, this House calls on the McGowan government to reveal contract arrangements entered into with Fairbridge WA, including agreed key performance indicators for the operation of six camp schools, and seeks a guarantee the facilities will remain affordable for all Western Australian schools and families.

*Standing Orders Suspension — Amendment to Motion*

**MRS M.H. ROBERTS (Midland — Minister for Police)** [3.01 pm]: The government will accept the suspension on the basis of the following amendment. I move —

To insert after “forthwith” —

, subject to the debate being limited to 15 minutes for government members and 15 minutes for non-government members

Amendment put and passed.

*Standing Orders Suspension — Motion, as Amended*

**The SPEAKER:** Members, as this is a motion without notice to suspend standing orders, it will need the support of an absolute majority for it to proceed. If I hear a dissentient voice, I will be required to divide the Assembly.

Question put and passed with an absolute majority.

*Motion*

**MS M.J. DAVIES (Central Wheatbelt — Leader of the Nationals WA)** [3.01 pm]: I move the motion. We thank the government for accepting the debate this afternoon on this very important issue. The question put relates to a number of camp schools around the state. Although the Premier continues to make a mockery of the questions that members in this house and in the Legislative Council have asked over a number of weeks, preferring to quote from books that have no reference to the issue, this is a serious issue for those services, the people who work in them, the communities that rely on them and our students, who have had a wonderful opportunity until this point and considered that camp schools were an extension of the Department of Education and their schooling experience. That is clearly not what the government believes.

There has been question after question—18 questions by the National Party and we have totalled 13 from opposition and cross-bench members of Parliament. All this time, from the very beginning, the Minister for Education and Training has been evasive and unclear on the fate of these camps. The first statement issued by the minister on 13 December 2017 stated that six camp schools would close—albeit, of seven, the Broome camp school appeared never to be included. Then there was a letter to the stakeholders in January 2018 and a letter from the minister herself to Outdoors WA, I believe, with a reference to the decision announced in December 2017 saying that one decision that would not be reversed was the one taken to close five camp schools. Some time in January 2018, a decision was made to shift from this position to tender out the camp schools. That decision was communicated some time in January, with still no clarity and no formal announcement. The tender for the camp schools just appeared in *The West Australian* on 7 April.

In that period, we have gone from closing six to five, and from closing to tendering out and to camp operations being run by a third party. There was absolutely no consultation with the camp operators or staff during this time. Consultation has been very limited to this point. We saw another botched effort to make an announcement over the weekend. There was certainly no consultation with any of the communities involved, all of which have a strong stake in the future of those camp sites and the importance they hold with the service they offer. There has been no transparency or living up to the statements that this Premier and this government have made time and again about meeting the rolled-gold standard of transparency.

We have sought advice about the contract that has been signed, which was apparently emailed over the weekend. On Friday, the operators of the camp were told by email that an announcement would be made over the weekend, but a media statement was sent to major media outlets. No announcement was made, but when it was made, all operators found out via the media. This has been a shambles from the very beginning. We are still none the wiser whether the statement the government is making will come good as a result of the contract it is signing with Fairbridge. The Premier tries to make out that we are saying that Fairbridge is not up to the task and that we seem

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to have a huge disagreement with it. Nothing could be further from the truth; it is a highly respected organisation. What we do not believe in and have no faith in is this government, because over the last nine months, there has been a shambles of decision-making and no clear answers to questions about how this will go forward to make sure we have a sustainable and affordable service for all kids who use these services.

I think the minister has tried to make the announcement over the weekend to thwart what would happen on Tuesday on the front steps of Parliament House. She did not want to come out and front the public again with no answer. So for political expediency, she has tried to make the announcement, with no luck, and again botched consultation and advice to the people running the camps, whose jobs are at risk and who have no clarity about their future. She has made a politically expedient announcement, and we find out through questions on Tuesday in the Legislative Council that the contract has not even been signed—that it is still being negotiated. How can anyone with any confidence say that it will be an affordable and sustainable service when the government has not finished negotiating the services or the contracts or the key performance indicators. None of the questions we asked today shed any further clarity on this issue. It is not good enough. These are important places for our students. They are part of our education system and we think our kids deserve more.

**MR D.T. REDMAN (Warren–Blackwood)** [3.06 pm]: This is the government for backflips and in the other place is the minister for backflips; she has the gold medal in this exercise. I can accept one or two backflips under the argument, “We stuffed up and, yes, we’ve listened to the people and remade a decision to wind it back.” I can accept that. But I cannot accept 10 or a dozen backflips that the minister and this government have made since bringing out the education cuts in December last year. As the Leader of the Nationals WA rightly highlighted, the letter the Premier puts out to the people who have asked questions said, “We’re going to backflip on some decisions we made in December, but we will definitely not backflip on the five camp schools.” They got the number wrong. That shows how well they looked over the letters and how well their staff are working behind them. “We’re definitely not going to backflip on that.” Give it another six months and what happens? They backflipped on that as well. How the hell can the people of Western Australia, let alone people in the education system who want to get benefit from these schools, possibly have confidence that this government will get it right this time. There is not a hope in hell it can make a decision like that.

The confidence is not there. The National Party is raising this issue so the government will put on the table exactly what the negotiating arrangements and the key performance indicators are so we know the starting point. It starts today. The Premier’s integrity is sitting on this. The minister for backflips in the other place definitely has her integrity sitting on it, and we want to know exactly the starting point. What has the government negotiated? Put it out there for all to see and for the people of Western Australia. The Premier has told us that he has done his due diligence, but he did not do due diligence on about a dozen backflips that he has made over the last 12 months on decisions his minister has made.

We all know the value of camp schools and how they enrich the educational process, and that they create opportunities for kids who might not otherwise get them, particularly in remote parts of the state. One of the arguments the Premier put forward was about opportunities and why the decision was made to hang onto the Broome camp and keep it under the government system. It is a subsidised school, which means it is affordable. Anyone who has any understanding of the educational process at all would have really shallow thinking if they did not understand how camp schools enrich that educational process.

What did we get from the Premier? In January we got from the Premier that they are camp sites—they are not camp schools—and the running of camp sites is not the core business of Education. He went on to say —

The running of campsites is not the core business of education. Their occupancy rates have declined over time, and there are other recreation camps operated by the Department of Local Government, Sport ...

He said “other recreational camps”. In January, as far as he was concerned, these were recreational camps. They are not camp schools. That was his position in January this year. This is a Premier who is out of touch with not only the educational process, but also what this value-adds to the educational system.

I will move on to what was said yesterday. The Premier said they are camp sites—he is out of touch—and yesterday he said, when talking about the new group that is looking at taking over and Fairbridge —

They are trained in mentoring outdoor education, providing training opportunities ...

Yesterday, Fairbridge had moved on to providing training opportunities and mentoring outdoor education—all the things that probably sound like what camp schools actually do. So he has moved from camp sites being not worth a bumper as far as he was concerned, in terms of value-adding to the educational system, to now saying that they actually have some sort of educational value and trying to run an argument that the move that the government is making will enhance that outcome.

I want to talk about the numbers here. We put up questions on notice about it, and these camp schools right now are running at a deficit. It costs money to provide that education. Across the six sites there is a deficit of

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\$3.8 million. They are moving from being government owned and government operated to being privately operated by a not-for-profit group, and the government is taking away \$3.8 million and putting back \$250 000. So, what is the proposition? The proposition is that we will go from six camp sites—not camp schools, using the Premier’s own words—that cost \$3.8 million, to an educational provider, and, presumably, in the Premier’s words, an “enhanced educational process” to what he says exists now, for only \$250 000 a year. That does not add up. There is no way in the world that the kids who use these sites will get an outcome that is anything like positive.

The Premier needs to table the expectations of the deal. He needs to come to the party on the starting point for this, because this government has made a bad decision, not to mention the impact on staff. The staff in one of the camp schools down in my electorate found out about the announcement on the Save Moora College Facebook site. That is how they got the information. They found out who was going to be the new provider on the Save Moora College Facebook site. That is not good enough. This government is out of touch. It is the government of backflips.

**MR P.J. RUNDLE (Roe)** [3.12 pm]: This mean McGowan government will go down in history as the wrecker of regional education. For some reason, when I came into this place I thought that the policy—the mantra—was that every child in Western Australia gets a reasonable education, regardless of where they live. But we have just seen a massive number of backflips and there has been a total loss of confidence. The other day I saw the passion of the people affected, who were on the front steps of Parliament House. The likes of John Lally—a respected member of Pilbara camp school—was out there saying that this decision-making should be evidence based. This is just a money grab. The mantra of this government and the minister in the other place is “cut first, consult later”. That has flowed through every element of the education policy. I certainly back what our leader and the member for Warren–Blackwood said.

On 13 December last year, the Minister for Education and Training announced —

These are not the core business of education and there are other government and commercial providers of similar services.

That was the first step. Then there was the April announcement of the tender process, when the employees of camp schools found out that their jobs in the running of camp schools were advertised in *The West Australian*. There was no consultation. Then, finally, there was this weekend’s botched media release. That is the modus operandi of the government when it makes changes; there is no methodology about it. With all due respect to the Premier, he spoke in question time today about how we are creating fear and have no respect for Fairbridge Farm. I have a lot of respect for Fairbridge, but I cannot see how it can operate when there is a \$3.8 million deficit over those six camp schools, and this government will give it \$250 000 to cover maintenance for three schools. I just cannot see how it can be done. There is no maintenance for the Goldfields Camp School. There is a \$900 000 annual operating deficit, and somehow Fairbridge is meant to make that work. On 18 February, Pat Byrne from the State School Teachers’ Union of WA was quoted as saying —

This is privatisation by stealth and once the control is gone, it will be very hard to get back, ...

I am really disappointed. As far as I am concerned, this government and this minister have created so much confusion that, as our leader said, the Liberal Party and the Nationals WA have had to ask over 30 questions just to try to get some clarity on what is happening. There has been no consultation and no transparency; it is make it up as you go. There is a mess of announcements and non-announcements, no assurances on the leasing arrangements, and no key performance indicators on the operation of the camps. The government has absolutely no idea and is just making up policy as it goes. I feel sorry for those employees, some of whom found out about the scenario of the camp schools on the Moora Residential College Facebook page. Their destiny did not come to them through any consultation; they had to find out from Facebook. I cannot believe that the fees will not go up. I worry for the kids of Western Australia. As I said, the mantra of this government, when it came in, was that every child in Western Australia deserves a decent education, regardless of where they live. To be honest, the list of backflips just goes on and on.

**MR M. MCGOWAN (Rockingham — Premier)** [3.16 pm]: It is interesting that the National Party member says he worries about the future of the kids of WA. You were not worried about the future of the kids of WA when you were racking up \$40 billion of debt that they have to pay off! You were not worried about them then! You could not have cared less! And the mock outrage of people like the member for Warren–Blackwood, doing his stand up, scream and yell, show how tough he is so that he can get rid of the leader in due course—show off to his colleagues —

Several members interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** That is all that is about! You admit to it!

Several members interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** And time will tell, and we will see over the course of the next two years!

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Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER (Mr S.J. Price):** Members!

Several members interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Leader of the Nationals, I am talking about him, not you! While you are talking about me, I am talking about him! You should be on my side!

Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Can we hear the Premier's contribution in silence, please.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** This is a complete mock outrage. We have a well-respected Western Australian organisation in Fairbridge Farm that has decided to take over the camps that are out there—of which there are six around Western Australia—and operate them. That is what has happened. The National Party has come in here, yelling and screaming like it is Armageddon. I mean, seriously.

Fairbridge Farm—I have been there on a number of occasions—is a well-respected organisation that carries out mentoring and operates camps and the like for students across Western Australia, as do a range of other organisations that run these types of facilities around the state. Therefore, we think it is a worthwhile organisation to undertake this role.

The argument from the National Party, and presumably the Liberal Party, is that we have somehow let down all the staff and the like in these camps. We said at the beginning that we would seek to find an operator. Obviously, if those staff want to seek employment with Fairbridge, they can. As I said in question time, they can seek a redundancy or a transfer. The public sector of Western Australia is a good employer, and those opportunities are there for those staff. We said from the beginning—back in January, December or whenever it was—that that was the arrangement that would be entered into. It is not any great shock or amazement that we have entered into an arrangement, or are in the process of entering into an arrangement, to deliver exactly what we said we would back in December last year. Yet the National Party goes out there with its yelling and screaming and all the rest of it—its hatred of Fairbridge—to try to run this arrangement down. When the National Party carries on about these sorts of issues, it brings to mind this press release from the then government on 7 August 2015 about how a range of schools were going to be privatised, and they were. There was a public-private partnership to build eight new public schools. That was the former government. It was with a company, not a non-government organisation.

**Dr M.D. Nahan** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Leader of the Opposition!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Listen to the press release. It states that the company finances, designs and builds eight schools and maintains them for a minimum of 25 years.

**Mr R.S. Love** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Moore!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** There is the opposition screaming outrage about a camp, but when it was in government, it was building schools with private sector companies—not NGOs. Does the National Party not think that there is a bit of hypocrisy in its argument? No, it would not.

Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Members! Member for Moore!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** Does the National Party not think that there is a bit of hypocrisy in its argument when it calls for transparency and accountability and it is hiding the report into Barnaby Joyce? Does the National Party not think that that is a bit hypocritical? Does it not think that that lacks transparency? There is this report into Barnaby Joyce done by the National Party that it is hiding. Why does the National Party not release that?

*Point of Order*

**Mr V.A. CATANIA:** Clearly, the Premier has walked away from the actual motion. The motion is about camp schools, not about Barnaby Joyce.

**The ACTING SPEAKER (Mr S.J. Price):** Member for North West Central, there is no point of order.

*Debate Resumed*

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**Mr M. McGOWAN:** It is about transparency and accountability. A Western Australian has made a complaint against the National Party and the National Party is covering it up. That is what has occurred.

Several members interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** National Party members are saying rubbish; so they are on Barnaby's side, are they? Whose side are they on? Are they on Barnaby's side?

**Ms M.J. Davies** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Leader of the National Party!

*Point of Order*

**Mr V.A. CATANIA:** What has that got to do with the suspension of standing orders?

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central, there is no point of order.

*Debate Resumed*

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** It is about transparency and accountability.

**Ms M.J. Davies** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Leader of the National Party!

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** The National Party is covering whatever Barnaby Joyce has got up to. It is hiding it and it will not reveal it.

**Mr V.A. Catania** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central!

Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Members of the National Party, we heard your contributions in relative silence. Can you please let the Premier carry on with the same regard.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** The motion says "transparency and accountability". I want to see a little bit of transparency and accountability from the National Party. It should be demanding that this report be released, rather than covering it up. There is a Western Australian involved here; why is the National Party hiding the report? Why does the National Party not answer questions in relation to that—there is an issue—rather than coming in here? The coalition privatised actual schools for 25 years when it was in government.

Several members interjected.

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** I know; it was a consortium. Was it Fairbridge farm? No, it was Macquarie Bank. That is who the former government did it with.

**Dr M.D. Nahan:** They built it; they didn't run it, you idiot!

*Withdrawal of Remark*

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Leader of the Opposition, that is unparliamentary. Please withdraw.

**Dr M.D. NAHAN:** I withdraw.

*Debate Resumed*

**Mr M. McGOWAN:** *The West Australian* has got the Leader of the Opposition right; it has him right. He is not up to it.

That is the mock outrage by the National Party. Presumably, the Liberal Party will vote for this silliness. The government is not supporting it.

**MR P. PAPALIA (Warnbro — Minister for Tourism)** [3.22 pm]: In respect of this issue and any issue around education at the moment, the National Party reminds me of a character from recent history—Second Lieutenant Hirō Onoda. He was notorious for being the sole Japanese hold-out after World War II. The war ended in August 1945 or thereabouts, but Second Lieutenant Onoda fought on in the jungles of the Philippines. He held out until 1974. He failed to recognise that the war had actually ended. The truth is that the Nationals are not outraged about campsites or any of the matters they raise in here or on the steps of Parliament when they stand in the crowd to make it look bigger; they are upset —

**Mr V.A. Catania** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central!

Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Nationals in general!

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**Mr D.T. Redman** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Warren–Blackwood, I call you to order the second time.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** I think I have stung them. I think I have nailed them. They are upset not because of any issue regarding decisions around campsites. They are upset about —

**Mr A. Krsticevic** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Carine!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** National Party members are upset because they have been deprived of their only reason for existence. Their reason for existence is turning the country against the city. The only weapon they had has been removed. The federal government has acknowledged that there was a serious issue with the cost of rectifying Moora Residential College and making it habitable. It will cost \$8.7 million and the federal government has said that it would contribute. The state always said that it was \$8.7 million and we had to make a decision, because unlike the federal National Party or the federal Liberals, we did not have the flexibility to throw taxpayers' money around in Western Australia.

**Mr R.S. Love** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Moore! I have warned you numerous times. I call you for the first time.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** In Western Australia we inherited \$40 billion of debt from our predecessors and we are being responsible. We are not about to go out to the public and suggest that we can just keep on spending like there is no tomorrow and keep throwing money around regardless of the consequences, unlike our predecessors. We are fixing the mess. Everywhere I go in the state they commend us for sticking to the hard task—for being responsible and taking on the hard task of fixing the mess that we inherited.

**Mr V.A. Catania** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** Everywhere we go that is what people say. They acknowledge that there are things that they do not necessarily like, and they prefer that we did not have to do them, but they acknowledge that we are making hard decisions, and that was one of them. The decision was that we could not afford to spend —

Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** The decision was that we could not afford to spend \$8.7 million of Western Australian taxpayers' money on fixing the problems at Moora Residential College that we inherited because the member for Moore was incapable of getting his own government to spend the money when it was willing to throw money all over the place.

Several members interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** What did we hear from the National Party over and again in here, outside and on social media? We heard: "It is only going to cost \$500 000; why don't you do it, you cheapskates?" That is what we heard over and again. Why, then, did the Deputy Prime Minister —

*Point of Order*

**Dr A.D. BUTI:** Mr Acting Speaker, the National Party brought on the matter. The minister is trying to respond and I cannot even hear him because of the constant interjections by members of the National Party. Can you please bring them to order?

**The ACTING SPEAKER (Mr S.J. Price):** There is no point of order.

**Mr V.A. CATANIA:** Further to that point of order, the Minister for Tourism is clearly attacking the National Party and seeking, inviting, interjections in his outrageous, ill-conceived speech.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central, there is no point of order.

*Debate Resumed*

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** Why, then, did the federal government, via the Deputy Prime Minister, the Leader of the National Party at the national level, give the state \$8.7 million to fix Moora Residential College?

**Mr R.S. Love** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Moore!

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**Mr P. PAPALIA:** If it was meant to cost only \$500 000, as the frauds across the chamber continued to claim, why did the federal government give us \$8.7 million? The sum of \$8.7 million is what it would cost —

**Mr R.S. Love** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Moore! Members on the left, can we hear the minister in silence, please?

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** The sum of \$8.7 million is what it was always going to cost. The federal government would not give \$8.7 million to the Treasurer of Western Australia if it was not convinced that the cost of repairs at Moora college was \$8.7 million; it would not have done that. The Leader of the of the National Party at the national level would not have given \$8.7 million to the Treasurer of Western Australia to fix the mess at Moora Residential College that we inherited from the previous government were the cost not \$8.7 million. That would never have happened, so who lacked transparency? Who was dishonest in this debate? It was the National Party in Western Australia. That was who it was. The National Party of Western Australia deceived the people of regional Western Australia; it told them it was only \$500 000 for months and months, and then had to concede that it was actually \$8.7 million, and that is why the federal government has paid \$8.7 million.

**Mr V.A. Catania** interjected.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for North West Central!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** That aside, with respect to the camp sites, as one of the very few members of this chamber who grew up in the country, went to state schools and attended a camp site as a child, they were never camp “schools”. They never have been, never will be and never were. It is a fact that they are camp sites. Anyone who claims that they are camp schools is seeking to deceive the public. Teachers from the schools where the children come from attend the camp sites. They do the curriculum development and the education delivery. The camp site is managed as a site where children go to camp.

**Mr R.S. Love:** It shows your level of misunderstanding!

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Moore!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** As a person who grew up in Queensland, I do not think you went to a camp site in Western Australia.

**Mr R.S. Love:** I did go to a camp site!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** In Western Australia? You did not go to a camp site in Western Australia. Do not mislead the Parliament.

**Mr R.S. Love:** I did.

**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Member for Moore!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** As a child, you did not go to a camp site in Western Australia.

**Mr R.S. Love** interjected.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** You did not go to a camp site in Western Australia as a child; you grew up in Queensland.

**Mr R.S. Love:** I did go to a camp site; I went to the Pemberton one. It was very cold.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** I went to Point Peron. As a Burekup boy—a lad from the country—I appreciated the opportunity to go to the Point Peron camp site. I have told the story how I got to see *Alvin Purple* at an early age as a consequence of the progressive attitudes of the physical education teacher who took us to that site. That aside, it is wonderful news that Fairbridge WA, a respected not-for-profit institution, has stepped up to run the camp sites across Western Australia, with the exception of the one in Broome. I actually met some kids at that camp site yesterday. They were at Willie Creek, accompanied by a teacher and a parent. They were out there as part of an excursion associated with their camp. They would go back to their camp site post that excursion, but it was not a camp school. Their school was Roebuck Primary School. It is wonderful to see that Fairbridge is running the other camp sites. It is fantastic.

**Mr D.T. Redman** interjected.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** It is lamentable that Second Lieutenant Onoda over there from Warren–Blackwood is incapable of recognising that the war is over!

**Mr V.A. Catania** interjected.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** The war is over. All the reasons that members opposite chose to be angry about have gone. Try not to be so angry! Let go of the anger; it is not good for you.

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**The ACTING SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** It is lamentable that members opposite continue to encourage people in the country to be angry about things that have gone. There are no reasons to be angry. The camp sites are open. They will be operated by Fairbridge. That is a good thing. All the things that members opposite have been complaining about have been addressed. Moora Residential College has \$8.7 million. All is well with the world! Members opposite have to let go because the war is well and truly over. Of course we are not going to support this silly motion. We will oppose it because we have a wonderful Minister for Education and Training who makes mincemeat of the opposition in the other chamber, despite the fact that there are so many of them! Despite the fact that there are so many members of the opposition, she makes mincemeat of them up there!

Several members interjected.

**Mr P. PAPALIA:** They have not realised that they lost the last war as well! They lost the last war. They are the holdouts up that side. Maybe Second Lieutenant Onoda is up in the other chamber; maybe that is the problem! They have not realised they lost that war!

*Division*

Question put and a division taken, the Acting Speaker (Mr S.J. Price) casting his vote with the noes, with the following result —

Ayes (17)

Mr V.A. Catania  
Ms M.J. Davies  
Mrs L.M. Harvey  
Mrs A.K. Hayden  
Dr D.J. Honey

Mr P. Katsambanis  
Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup  
Mr A. Krsticevic  
Mr S.K. L'Estrange  
Mr R.S. Love

Mr W.R. Marmion  
Mr J.E. McGrath  
Dr M.D. Nahan  
Mr D.C. Nalder  
Mr D.T. Redman

Mr P.J. Rundle  
Ms L. Mettam (*Teller*)

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Ms L.L. Baker  
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Question thus negatived.