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8	ABLE blasting, 1987-1989. Anomalies re: interstate differentials, C.1684 of 1977 and C.704 of 1978.
9	Commitments, 1987. Industry, 1974. ACTU supplementary payments, 1987. Work value, 1980. C.No. 2049 of 1981. National Wage Case Decision, 1987. Plumbing Trades, 1987.
10	Transcripts of 1977 Award Renewal, C.No. 3381, 3494, 3581, 5752 of 1977. Appeal against decision of Sec.41 (i)(d); C.1551 of 1975. Time and place, S.A. Service and Bendigo, C.No.2263 of 1975.
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31	OPDU Federation Draft Report, 1988. OPDU and PGEU Amalgamation Steering Committee Meeting, 24-25 May 1990 (File and MS. notes of Geoff Barbour, OPDU). OPDU and PGEU Negotiating Committee Meeting, 24-25 May 1990, at Airey's Inlet (two files). Amalgamation Meeting No.2, 21-22 June 1990, at Airey's Inlet (three files including Geoff Barbour's). Amalgamation Steering Committee Meeting No.3, 26-27 July 1990, Carlton (two files).
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39	Workers' Compensation 1959-1985. Childcare 1985. General (Tax) 1981-1985. Tax Department Correspondence 1980-1987. Leaflets 1980-1987. Tax Review 1982-1985. New Tax Rules: Fringe Benefits 1986-1987. Social Security General 1981-1983.
40	Unemployment Benefits 1981-1986. Pensions 1981-1984. Education: Primary and Secondary 1980-1986. Childcare 1980-1984. Art and Working Life 1984-1986. Administrative Services 1983-1984. CACS 1983-1984. ACTEA 1981-1983. Cockatoo Dockyards 1982. Glass Industry Shorter Hours 1981. S.E.C. 1981-1982.
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45	Holidays 1981. Adoption Leave 1985-1987. Maternity Leave 1985. Vocational Training Leave 1985-87. 35 Hour Campaign 1980-1981. NBTC 1980-1987. AGE - ACTU/PSB Memorial 1982-85.
46	Housing General 1979-1984. Housing Publications 1979-1984. Department of Housing and Construction 1982-1987.
47	Telecom 1981-82. Telecom 1984-1986.
48	Airlines General Campaigns 1981-84. Qantas and Domestic Airlines re: conditions 1980. Qantas 1984-1986. State Railway 1981-83.
49	Federal Journal: Copy 1-10 and Photographs, 1984-1987.
50	TUTA - Union Training Courses. Applications for Training Courses. OPDU - Information for Schools. Conditions for eligibility of membership.

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