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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1954.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) announced that, during the absence abroad of Mr. Holt, Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence) would act as Minister for Labour and National Service and Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply) would act as Minister for Immigration.
3. MIDDLE EAST—R.A.A.F. FIGHTER WING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that No. 78 Fighter Wing of the Royal Australian Air Force which has been stationed at Malta would shortly be brought back to Australia.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Berthing of a Vessel.
 - Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1954—No. 6 (Prisons Ordinance).
 - Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—
 - 1953—
 - No. 13—Ordinances Revision (No. 2) 1952.
 - No. 16—Natives' Contracts Protection (New Guinea) 1952.
 - No. 28—Bamu River Mission.
 - No. 30—Pharmacy Ordinance Amendment.
 - No. 35—Animal Disease and Control.
 - No. 42—Excise (Beer).
 - No. 43—Coroners.
 - No. 45—Supply (No. 1) 1953-1954.
 - No. 46—Police Offences (Papua).
 - No. 47—Police Offences (New Guinea).
 - No. 53—Antiquities.
 - No. 54—Trading with Natives.
 - No. 64—Roman Catholic Mission of the Order of Friars Minor.
 - No. 65—Rubber.
 - No. 66—Married Women's Property.
 - No. 71—Building.
 - No. 76—Maintenance Orders (Canada) (Facilities for Enforcement).
 - No. 79—Appropriation (No. 2) 1952-1953.
 - No. 89—Police Offences (Papua) (No. 2).
 - No. 90—Police Offences (New Guinea) (No. 2).
 - No. 97—Companies (Papua).
 - No. 98—Companies (New Guinea).
 - No. 99—Roads Maintenance.
 - 1954—
 - No. 7—Public Service 1953.
 - No. 10—Liquor (New Guinea) 1953.
 - No. 11—Liquor (Papua) 1953.
 - No. 25—Companies (Papua).
 - No. 26—Companies (New Guinea).
 - No. 28—Legislative Council.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 Attorney-General—T. E. Hambling.
 Interior—H. F. Hollier.
 Postmaster-General—R. A. Bailey, H. Berglas, I. R. Butcher, R. M. Cochrane,
 S. C. Creagh, J. M. Day, B. J. Fuller, R. H. Green, B. R. Hume, P. J. Kitchen,
 D. T. A. Langford, D. R. Lockwood, H. I. Maggs, H. R. Perry, M. H. Sparkman,
 J. A. Speed, A. R. Timmins.

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Repatriation—J. Beaumont-Haynes, J. A. Blackwood, G. G. Cumming, J. M. Drummond, J. F. M. Furber, J. R. McGlynn, D. M. Piggins, M. H. Smith, G. C. Thornton, T. J. Thwaite, T. Wunderlich.
Public Service Arbitration Act—Determination—1954—No. 33—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

5. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 17, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

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Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 17, I do hereby nominate—

Alan Charles Bird, Esquire,
George James Bowden, Esquire,
William Frederick Edmonds, Esquire,
Anthony Sylvester Luchetti, Esquire,
John McLeay, Esquire, and
Thomas Frank Timson, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this tenth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

ARCHIE G. CAMERON,
Speaker.

6. SOUTH-EAST ASIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement referring to the events and negotiations which led to the Geneva Settlement of the Indo-China conflict and the present situation in South-East Asia. Mr. Casey then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper :—

South-East Asia—Ministerial Statement, 10th August, 1954—

and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Curtin was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

8. FOREIGN AFFAIRS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), That the Paper [*presented on the 5th August, 1954*], viz. :—

Foreign Affairs—Ministerial Statement, 5th August, 1954—

be printed—

Debate resumed.

Ordered—That Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs) be granted an extension of time.

Ordered—That Mr. Calwell be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Mr. Pollard moved, That Mr. Ward be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 47.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Costa	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Crean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Creamean	Harrison	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mullens	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Keon	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pollard	Tellers :
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Riordan	Mr. W. M. Bourke
Mr. Clark	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	Mr. Daly

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NOES, 58.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swarts
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lawrence	Sir E. Page	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Gullett

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Mr. D. A. Cameron), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported acquainting the House of the appointment of Senators to the following Committees :—

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Message—

No. 1—Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works—Senators Henty, Maher and O'Byrne.

No. 2—Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings—Mr. President (Senator McMullin) and Senators Arnold and Paltridge.

No. 3—Joint Committee of Public Accounts—Senators Byrne, Paltridge and Seward.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Kent Hughes (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes past 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. Clarey, Mr. Davies, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Holt, Mr. James, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Opperman and Mr. Robertson.

* On leave.

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