THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 41.

TUESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1958.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that he would act as Treasurer during the absence of Sir Arthur Fadden.
- 3. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 Correspondence between the Prime Minister and the Premier of Western Australia (Hon. A. R. G. Hawke, M.L.A.) concerning the proposed export of iron ore from Western Australia.

Ordered to lie on the Table. Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Bank Act—Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank, Commonwealth Trading Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank as at 30th June, 1958; together with Auditor-General's reports thereon.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Customs Tariff—Order—Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 5.

Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Order—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 3.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Repatriation Department—N. R. Munro, I. E. Potter.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Determination—1958—No. 116—Customs Officers' Association of Australia (Fourth Division).

- Suspension of Standing Order No. 104.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service)
 moved, pursuant to notice, That Standing Order No. 104 (eleven o'clock rule) be suspended for the
 remainder of the Session.
 - Question-put and passed.
- 5. Cocos (Keeling) Islands Bill 1958.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate adjourned (Mr. Ward), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 6. NATIONAL HEALTH BILL 1958.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

- 7. Social Services Bill 1958.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Roberton (Minister for Social Services) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. A. D. Fraser), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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8. TRADE MARKS BILL 1958.—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—

Debate resumed.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Makin reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air), the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Osborne moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

9. Superannuation Bill 1958.—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—

Debate resumed.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Bill 1958.—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. Debate resumed.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

11. MIGRATION BILL 1958.—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—

Debate resumed.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 6, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 7—

On the motion of Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration) the following amendment was made, after debate:—Page 6, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:—

"(5.) An authorized officer may require a person who is a prohibited immigrant by virtue of sub-section (3.) of this section to leave Australia within the time specified by the authorized officer, and that person shall comply with the requirement.

Penalty for any contravention of this sub-section: Two hundred pounds or imprisonment for three months.".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 8—

On the motion of Mr. Downer, the following amendment was made, after debate:—Page 6, line 38, omit "this Part", insert "this Division".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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Clause 9-

On the motion of Mr. Downer, the following amendment was made, after debate:—Page 8, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:—

"(2.) The last preceding sub-section does not apply in relation to a temporary entry permit upon or after a re-entry of the holder into Australia after having left Australia if—

(a) within six months before that re-entry, an authorized officer made a notation on the entry permit to the effect that the permit would not be invalidated by absence of the holder from Australia; and

(b) at the time of the re-entry, the entry permit has not, or had not, expired or been cancelled.".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 10 and 11, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 12 debated and agreed to.,

Clause 13 debated and agreed to.

Clause 14 debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past eleven 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. Buchanan, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clark, Mr. Drury, Mr. Edmonds, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Failes, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. J. M. Fraser, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. James, Mr. H. V. Johnson, Mr. Kearney, Mr. McColm, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Peters, Mr. Pollard and Mr. Watkins.

A. A. TREGEAR,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.