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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 61.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1959.

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. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Honorable Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj, M.P., Prime Minister of Malaya, was within the precincts. The distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honorable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.
3. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr. Freeth, Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air) would act as Minister for the Interior and Minister for Works.
4. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT—VISIT ABROAD OF TREASURER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement reviewing proceedings at recent meetings of the Commonwealth Economic Consultative Council in London and the International Monetary Fund and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in Washington, his borrowing negotiations abroad, and the present state of world trade and finance. Mr. Holt then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—  
International Finance, Trade and Development—Visit abroad of Treasurer—Ministerial Statement.  
Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration) moved, That the Paper be printed.  
Debate ensued.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Adermann—Minister for Primary Industry), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Christmas Island Act—Ordinance—1959—No. 2—Customs.  
Dairy Produce Export Control Act—Australian Dairy Produce Board—Thirty-fourth Annual Report, for year 1958–59.  
Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1959—No. 7 (Justices Ordinance).  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
Civil Aviation—J. C. Fincher, J. F. Gercken, J. S. Toms.  
Labour and National Service—A. W. Hubbard.  
Postmaster-General—D. R. DeJong.  
Shipping and Transport—J. Chapman.  
Supply—B. K. Arnold, R. J. Cashin, K. R. S. Fuller, A. S. Inglis, C. A. Moore, D. M. R. Newman, R. H. Schunke, C. W. Wilson.  
Territories—F. Kitson, I. Pitman.  
Treasury—A. R. Ledger.  
Works—P. M. Brooke.  
Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1959, No. 87.  
Tobacco Industry Act—Fourth Annual Report, for year 1958–59.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:—  
4th November, 1959—*Message No. 45*—Petroleum Search Subsidy 1959.

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7. RAYON YARN BOUNTY BILL (No. 2) 1959.—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.

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. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

8. NATIONALITY AND CITIZENSHIP BILL 1959.—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.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Luchetti reported accordingly.

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

9. NATIONAL HEALTH BILL 1959.—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.

Mr. Reynolds 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.

10. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—

10th November, 1959—*Message*—

No. 71—Loan (Short-term Borrowings) 1959.

No. 72—Customs Tariff (No. 3) 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 73—Customs Tariff (No. 4) 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 74—Customs Tariff (No. 5) 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 75—Excise Tariff (No. 2) 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 76—Excise Tariff (No. 3) 1959 (*without requests*).

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute 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. Casey, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Davis, Mr. Dean, Mr. Drury, Mr. Failes, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McIvor, Mr. Peters\*, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Sexton\*, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Swartz.

\* On leave.

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