THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1960.

- 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. DEFENCE REVIEW-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT-MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.-Mr. Townley (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the present stage of action and planning in respect of the Government's defence decisions announced in November, 1959. Mr. Townley then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:-

Defence Review-Ministerial Statement, 29th March, 1960-

and moved. That the Paper be printed.

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

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Report for year 1958-59.

Nauru-Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of Nauru for year 1958-59.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Commonwealth Banks Act-Appointment Certificates-J. S. Allen, N. F. B. Amy, R. J. Frascr, B. Kaleski, A. S. Magrath, A. J. T. Marshall, R. B. Postle. Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—

Civil Aviation purposes—Point Lookout, New South Wales.

Postal purposes—Marilba, New South Wales. Northern Territory (Administration) Act—

Ordinance—1960—No. 1—Abattoirs and Slaughtering 1959.

Regulations—1960—No. 3 (Abattoirs and Slaughtering Ordinance). Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1960—

No. 12-Musicians' Union of Australia.

No. 13—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association. No. 14—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees' Association.

4. POLLUTION OF THE SEA BY OIL BILL 1960.—Mr. Hulme (Minister for Supply), for Mr. Opperman (Minister for Shipping and Transport), moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Prevention of the Pollution of the Sea by Oil.

Question—put and passed.

Bill brought up, and read a first time.

Ordered-That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

5. PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA BILL 1960.—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-

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. Wight reported accordingly.

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

 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE BILL 1960.—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.

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

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

And then the House, at thirteen minutes to 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. Adermann, Mr. Bandidt, Mr. Browne, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Clarey*, Mr. Costa, Mr. Courtnay, Mr. Drummond*, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. McIvor, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Roberton, Mr. Russell, Mr. Stokes and Mr. Timson.

• On leave.

N. J. PARKES, Clerk-Assistant, House of Representatives