THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 20.

THURSDAY, 5TH MAY, 1960.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Marriage of the Princess Margaret.—Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister) informed the House that he had requested His Excellency the Governor-General to forward, on behalf of the Government and people of Australia, a message of good wishes to Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret and Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones on the occasion of their marriage.

Mr. Whitlam associated the Opposition with the expression of good wishes.

3. NATIONAL LIBRARY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the future of the National Library, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—

National Library-Ministerial Statement.

Mr. Crean moved, by leave, That the Paper be printed.

Mr. Crean 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,

- 4. POTATO SHIPMENTS FROM TASMANIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Opperman (Minister for Shipping and Transport), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to potato shipments from Burnie, Tasmania.
- 5. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Public Service Act-Appointment-Department of Civil Aviation-D. J. Whalley.

6. Messages from the Senate.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—

4th May, 1960-Message-

No. 11—Pollution of the Sea by Oil 1960.

No. 12-Colonial Light Dues Legislation Repeal 1960.

 TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) BILL 1960.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to Prohibit the Interception of Telephonic Communications except where Specially Authorized in the Interests of the Security of the Commonwealth.

Question-put and passed.

8. SUPPLY ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 291, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—

Question proposed—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

It being fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 291.

Question—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and negatived.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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9. TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) BILL 1960.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to Prohibit the Interception of Telephonic Communications except where Specially Authorized in the Interests of the Security of the Commonwealth".

Bill read a first time.

Sir Garfield Barwick moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered—That Sir Garfield Barwick be granted an extension of time.

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

10. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT 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.

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1-

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Ordered-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. Message from the Governor-General—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Bill 1960.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

DUNROSSIL.

Governor-General.

Message No. 10.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the Law relating to Income Tax.

Canberra, 28th April, 1960.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the Law relating to Income Tax.

Question-put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

12. Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Bill 1960.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(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. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

13. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION 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

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. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

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14.	INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) 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.	

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. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

15. SALARIES (STATUTORY OFFICES) ADJUSTMENT 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. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service), the House adopted the Report.

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

Debate ensued.

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

16. Message from the Senate.—A Message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—

5th May, 1960—Message No. 13—Public Works Committee 1960.

17. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Customs Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1960, No. 29.

Distillation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 28.

Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 27.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 26.

Post and Telegraph Act and Wireless Telegraphy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 30. Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Works—R. W. Nairn.

18. STATE GRANT (SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA) 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. Makin), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

FRIDAY, 6TH MAY, 1960.

Debate continued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at sixteen minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Clarey*, Mr. Courtnay, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Drummond*, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Hasluck*, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Kelly, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Menzies*, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Murray, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Stokes* and Mr. Timson*.

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