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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 23.

THURSDAY, 12TH 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. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the forthcoming absence abroad of Mr. McMahon, Senator Paltridge (Minister for Civil Aviation) would act as Minister for Labour and National Service.  
Mr. McEwen also informed the House that, during the absence overseas of Senator Sir Walter Cooper, Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health) would act as Minister for Repatriation.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for postal purposes—  
Macarthur, Victoria.  
Maroota, New South Wales.  
Public Service Act—Appointment—Repatriation Department—S. E. Jones.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—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 Bills:—  
10th May, 1960—*Message No. 19*—  
Cattle and Beef Research 1960.  
Cattle Slaughter Levy 1960.  
Cattle Slaughter Levy Collection 1960.  
Meat Export Control 1960.
5. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—IMPORT POLICY.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Peters had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The damage likely to be caused to the Australian economy by the Government's decision to lift restrictions on imported goods".  
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—  
Mr. Peters addressed the House.  
Discussion ensued.  
Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.  
Question—put.  
The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Turner
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jess	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Mackinnon	
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McColm	
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McEwen	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holten	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. Robertson	

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Uren
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	Mr. Ward
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Clark	Mr. Davies	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Tellers:
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

6. LATROBE VALLEY INCIDENTS.—Mr. Wentworth moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the truth about certain recent incidents in the Latrobe Valley should be ascertained and made public.

During his speech Mr. Wentworth, by leave, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

Statutory Declarations dated 7th May, 1960, made by (a) D. A. Devlin, and (b) J. F. Orr;

*Industrial Review* dated 1st May, 1960;

Pamphlet addressed to Federated Ironworkers, authorized by D. Campbell, Morwell;

Pamphlet regarding the 1960 Elections of the Central Gippsland Trades and Labour Council, authorized by the Sub-Committee of the A.L.P.; and

How-to-vote Cards (2).

It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 108.

Ordered—That the time for the discussion of motions be extended until fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m.

Mr. Wentworth continued his speech.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for precedence to General Business having expired, the debate was interrupted, Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) was given leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate was made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION BILL 1960.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Broadcasting and Television Act 1942-1956*.  
Question—put and passed.

8. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS BROADCASTING BILL 1960.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*.  
Question—put and passed.

9. TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) 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. Duthie), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

10. BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION BILL 1960.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Broadcasting and Television Act 1942-1956’*”.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Davidson moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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Mr. Davidson moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

12. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
National Development—I. V. Flavelle.  
Works—A. E. W. Foreman.

13. TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) 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.  
*Closure*.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the question be now put.  
Question—That the question be now put—put.

12th and 13th May, 1960.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

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Mr. Adermann	Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon
Mr. Allan	Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten	Mr. Opperman
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Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fox	Mr. Jess	Mr. Turner
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wentworth
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Wilson
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Mr. Browne	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 30.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. James	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Clark	Mr. Davies	Mr. Jones	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Uren	
Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	
Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—being accordingly put—

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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

12th May, 1960—*Message*—

No. 16—State Grant (Special Assistance to South Australia) 1960.

No. 17—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment 1960.

No. 18—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution 1960 (*without requests*).

No. 19—Income Tax (International Agreements) 1960.

No. 21—Salaries (Statutory Offices) Adjustment 1960.

15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

FRIDAY, 13TH MAY, 1960.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed,

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bird, Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Clarey\*, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Drummond\*, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Hasluck\*, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Killen, Mr. King, Mr. Lawson\*, Mr. Lucock, Mr. Menzies\*, Mr. Minogue, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Stokes\*, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Timson\*, Mr. Townley and Mr. Wight.

\*On leave.

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