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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 70.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 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. COMMONWEALTH PRIME MINISTERS' CONFERENCE-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that the next Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers would be held in London early in March next.
- 3. WHEAT INDUSTRY-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to advances to the wheat industry in respect of wheat delivered to the Australian Wheat Board for the 1960-61 season.
- 4. PAPERS .- The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-
 - Atomic Energy Act—Australian Atomic Energy Commission—Eighth Annual Report and financial accounts, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1959-60.

 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department— Postmaster-General—G. H. Joosten, L. R. A. Melton.
 - Repatriation-Z. A. Mejglo.
 - Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1960— No. 52—Commonwealth Foremen's Association.

 - No. 53-Amalgamated Engineering Union.
 - No. 54—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others. No. 55—North Australian Workers' Union.
 - Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Ordinance-1960-No. 10-Returned Servicemen's Badges.
- 5. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE-REPORT.-Mr. Davis (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:-
 - Fifty-second Report-The Reports of the Auditor-General-Financial year 1958-59-Part II. Ordered to be printed.
- 6. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL (No. 2) 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. Daly), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
- 7. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (Nos. 24 to 26) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (No. 7).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

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30th November, 1960.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved-

Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 24).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1960, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and sixty, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

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THE SCHEDULE. IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION VI.—METALS AND	MACHINER	XY.	
176. By omitting paragraph (2) of sub-item (κ) and inserting in	1		1
its stead the following paragraphs:			
"(2) Meters n.e.i., mechanically or electrically operated, parts therefor and panels imported with and for use			
therewith, for measuring gas air steam oil water or	ļ		
other fluids, but not including—			
meters and parts therefor suitable for use in the retailing of petrol	Í		0
positive type water meters up to and including			
3 inches in size and parts therefor, other than			
meters constructed for measuring hot water in boiler houses or engine houses			
inferential water meters of the turbine and disc			
types and parts therefor			
inferential water meters of the compound or	Enco	71 mon cont	71 man cont
combination types and parts therefor - ad val. "(3) Chlorination controllers and parts specially designed	Free	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
therefor ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
"(4) Gauges and controllers for water filtration plant and			
mechanisms for transmitting loss of head or rate of flow to such gauges, and parts specially designed			
therefor, not covered by paragraph (3) - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
"(5) Gauges for indicating or recording liquid level in reservoirs canals rivers or tanks, and parts specially			
designed therefor, but not including gauges and parts			
therefor of the types used in motor vehicles for			
indicating the amount of petrol in the tank - ad val. "(6) CO and CO ₂ indicators and recorders and parts	Free	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	7½ per cent.
specially designed therefor and aspirators and	(
filters for use therewith ad val.	Free	7 ¹ /₂ per cent.	7½ per cent.
"(7) Regulating and controlling devices, automatic, for	ļ		
regulating temperature humidity pressure vacuum or rate of flow, and parts specially designed therefor,			l
but not including goods covered by paragraph (3),			
item 175 (B) or item 175 (C) ad val. "(8) Temperature measuring instruments, indicating or re-	Free	7½ per cent.	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
cording, and apparatus for remote indicating or re-	1		
cording of temperature measurements, and parts			
therefor, operating on any of the following basic			
principles— mercury in steel bulb	d.		
gas filled bulb	ļ		
vapour bulb potentiometer thermocouple			
thermo-electric pyrometer			
electrical resistance thermometer	_		
bimetallic strip ad val.	Free	7 ₂ per cent.	$7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.'
179. By omitting sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) of sub-item			
(H) and inserting in its stead the following sub-para- graph:—	ļ	1	
" (a) Two unit type or three unit type, for 6 volt or 12 volt	l.		
	27 ¹ / ₂ per cent.	40 per cent.	40 per cent."
DIVISION VIII.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, O	CHINA, GLA	ASS, AND	STONE.
250. By omitting from sub-item (H) the following word, letters	1	1	1
and figures:	1		
" item 176 (κ) (2) (b) ", and inserting in their stead the following word, letter and	1		
figures:-			
" item 176 (к) (8) ".			

DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

370. By inserting a new sub-item as follows:	1		
" (c) Goods imported by or being the property of a Govern-			
ment of a country other than Australia, when for the			
official use of that Government and not for purposes			
of trade, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws -	Free	Free	Free "
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CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 25).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1960, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-one, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

THE SCHEDULE. IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items. Tariff. Tariff. British Preferential Tariff. Tariff. Tariff.

DIVISION VI.-METALS AND MACHINERY.

 137. By omitting paragraph (3) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— "(3) Unwrought copper (refined or not) - And for each £1 by which the determined price of copper at the date of exportation of the goods is less than a straight of the goods is less than a	Free	Free	Free
£290 per ton, a duty of- For the purposes of this paragraph the determined price of copper shall be a weekly average, as determined by the Minister, of the London Metal Exchange quotations, expressed in Australian currency, for one ton of Electro- lytic Copper Wire Bars."	£1	£1	£1

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 26).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1960, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and sixty, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

2. That in these Proposals, "Customs Tariff Proposals" mean the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following date, namely:— 27th October, 1960.

THE SCHEDULE.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION XVIMISCELI	ANEOUS.	I	
376. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:-	1		
 "376. (A) Baskets	15 per cent. 124 per cent.		32 1 per cent. 27 1 per cent.
having a foundation of wood metal or other materials ad val. (2) Handbags and purses, n.e.i ad val. (3) Other, but not including containers	17½ per cent. 17½ per cent.		45 per cent. 45 per cent.
covered by item 208 (D) (1) or hand- bags and purses ad val.	17 ¹ / ₂ per cent.	45 per cent.	45 per cent."
377. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:			
 "377. (A) Kit bag frames - ad val. (B) Frames for ladies' or children's handbags; catches (not being fasteners covered by item 106 (g) or item (106 (g)) for welles or for ladies' or 	22½ per cent.	37½ per cent.	45 per cent.
or item 106 (H)) for wallets or for ladies' or children's handbags; purse frames - ad val.	17 1 per cent.	32 ¹ / ₂ per cent.	40 per cent.

CUSTOMS TARIFF (New ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (No. 7).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference)* 1933–1960, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and sixty, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

2. That in these Proposals, "Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals" mean the Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following date, namely:--

27th October, 1960.

THE SCHEDULE.

1. Item 108 is amended by omitting the words "Writing Cases; Stationery Cases; ".

2. Items 112 and 113 are omitted.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

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

8. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Tariff Board—Reports—

Chlorination Regulators and Controllers.
Glucose.
Motor Vehicle Type Voltage Regulators.
Passionfruit Juice and Passionfruit Pulp.
Sulphuric Acid Bounty Act 1954–1959.
Travel Goods, Handbags, Wallets, Purses and various other containers.
Unwrought Copper.
Severally ordered to be printed.

9. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL (No. 2) 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. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health) moved, That the question be now put.

Question-That the question be now put-put.

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

		Ayes, 60.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anderson Mr. Anthony Mr. Baston Mr. Bandidt Mr. Barnes Sir G. Barwick Mr. Bate Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Browne Mr. Bury Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Cash Mr. Chaney Mr. Chresby Mr. Cleaver Mr. Davidson Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drummond Mr. Drury Mr. England Mr. Erwin Mr. Failes	Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairball Mr. Falkinder Mr. Forbes Mr. Fox Mr. J. M. Fraser Mr. Halbert Mr. Halbert Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Holten Mr. Howson Mr. Jack Mr. Kelly	Mr. Killen Mr. King Mr. Lindsay Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McColm Mr. McMahon Mr. Murray Mr. Opperman Mr. Roberton Mr. Snedden Mr. Stokes Mr. Stokes Mr. Swartz	Mr. Townley Mr. Turner Mr. Wheeler Mr. Whittorn Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Pearce Mr. Turnbull
		NOES, 37.		
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beaton Mr. Beazley Mr. Bryant Mr. Cairns Mr. C. R. Cameron Mr. Clark Mr. Clay	Mr. Cope Mr. Courtnay Mr. Crean Mr. Curtin Mr. Daly Mr. Davies Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fulton	Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths Mr. Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Jones Mr. Kearney Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Makin Mr. McIvor Mr. Minogue Mr. O'Connor Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Reynolds Mr. Riordan	Mr. Thompson Mr. Uren Mr. Whitlam <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Duthie Mr. Johnson

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)-

		Ayes, 62.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anderson Mr. Anthony Mr. Aston Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cash Mr. Chaney Mr. Chresby Mr. Cleaver Mr. Davidson Mr. Davis	Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Forbes Mr. Fox Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly Mr. Killen Mr. King Mr. Lindsay Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinpon	Mr. Stokes Mr. Swartz Mr. Townley Mr. Turner Mr. Wheeler Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Barnes Sir G. Barwick Mr. Bate Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drummond Mr. Drury	Mr. Halbert Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt	Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McMahon Mr. Murray	Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers:
Mr. Browne Mr. Bury Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. England Mr. Erwin Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten Mr. Howson Mr. Jack	Mr. Opperman Mr. Roberton Mr. Snedden	Mr. Pearce Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	Tellers:
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Jones	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Johnson
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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, and agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Chaney reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. WAYS AND MEANS-SALES TAX.-The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion moved by Mr. Holt (Treasurer) on the 15th November, 1960 (see page 261). Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly. Ordered-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. PUBLIC SERVICE 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.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to. Clause 3-Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly. Ordered-That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 12. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:-
 - 30th November, 1960-Message-No. 71—Explosives 1960. No. 72—Seamen's Compensation 1960.
- 13. WAYS AND MEANS-SALES TAX.-The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion moved by Mr. Holt (Treasurer) on the 15th November, 1960 (see page 261). Question—That the motion be agreed to—put. The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—

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		Ayes, 61.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jess	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fox	Mr. King	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. Opperman	Tellers:
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. England	Mr. Holten	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Roberton	Mr. Pearce
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Мг. Соре	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Uren
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	Tellers:
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Holt moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay. Question-put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House. Ordered-That Mr. Holt and Mr. D. A. Cameron do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

- 14. Suspension of Standing Orders to enable the Sales Tax Bills to be considered together.--Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the questions in regard to the first and second readings, Committee's report stage, and third readings being put in one motion covering several or all of the Sales Tax Bills Nos. 1 to 9, and the consideration of several or all of such Bills together in a Committee of the Whole. Question-put and passed.
- 15. SALES TAX BILLS (Nos. 1 TO 9) 1960.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) then brought up the following Bills:---

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 1) 1930–1957" A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 2) 1930–1957"

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 3) 1930–1957"

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 4) 1930-1957"

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 5) 1930–1957"

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 6) 1930–1957

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 7) 1930-1957"

A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930–1937 " A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930–1957 " A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930–1957 "

Bills read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bills be now read a second time. Question-put and passed.-Bills read a second time. The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bills, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to. Bills to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Holt, the House adopted the Report, and the Bills were read a third time.

- 16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.-Ordered-That Order of the Day No. 4, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 17. NATIONALITY AND CITIZENSHIP 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.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight-

THURSDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1960.

Debate continued.

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. Lucock 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.

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

And then the House, at one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bird, Mr. Bland, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Costa, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Russell, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Ward and Mr. Wentworth.

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