## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 2.

### WEDNESDAY, 8th MARCH, 1961.

- 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. Petition.—Mr. J. R. Fraser presented a Petition from certain residents of the Australian Capital Territory praying that action will be taken to remedy the present unjust situation in the allocation of Government owned housing.

Petition received and read.

- 3. NORTHERN TERRITORY—WITHHOLDING OF ASSENT TO ORDINANCES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT-PRESENTATION OF PAPERS.—Mr. Hashack (Minister for Territories), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the withholding of assent to the Licensing Ordinance (No. 2) 1960 and the Lottery and Gaming Ordinance (No. 2) 1960 which had been passed by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory.
  - Mr. Nelson, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
  - Mr. Hasluck then presented, pursuant to Statute, the following Papers:-

Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Licensing Ordinance (No. 2) 1960 and Lottery and Gaming Ordinance (No. 2) 1960, together with Statements of reasons for withholding assent to each of those Ordinances.

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

Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, Nos. 7, 14.

Air Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 99.
Apple and Pear Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 11.

Broadcasting and Television Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 21.

Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 10.

Canning-Fruit Charge Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 1.
Commonwealth Employees' Compensation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 22.

Copper Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 18. Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 16.

Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961. No. 20.

Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)-Order-Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 33.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—

1960, No. 98.

1961, Nos. 2, 4, 25.

Explosives Act-Explosives Regulations-Orders-Berthing of a vessel (5).

Judiciary Act—Rule of Court, dated 24th January, 1961 (Statutory Rules 1961, No. 19). Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—

Civil Aviation purposes-

Mascot, New South Wales.

Perth Airport, Western Australia.

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization purposes-Griffith, New South Wales.

Defence purposes-

Gladstone, South Australia.

Northern Territory (2).

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Defence Production purposes—St. Mary's, New South Wales.
       Interior purposes—Gladstone, Queensland.
       Postal purposes-
            Barrine, Queensland.
            Burnett Heads, Queensland.
            Central Mangrove, New South Wales.
            Korora, New South Wales.
            Kybean, New South Wales.
            Stokers Siding East, New South Wales.
            Uki. New South Wales.
      Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority purposes-Khancoban, New South Wales.
 Matrimonial Causes Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 13.
National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 102.
Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, Nos. 5, 6, 12, 24.
Northern Territory (Administration) Act-
      Ordinances-
            1960-
                  No. 22-Workmen's Compensation.
                  No. 23—Health.
            1961-
                  No. 1-Evidence 1960.
                  No. 2-Wards' Employment 1960.
                  No. 3-Local Government (No. 2) 1960.
                 No. 4—Alice Springs Town Management 1960.
                 No. 5-Holidays 1960.
                 No. 6—Firearms 1960.
No. 7—Supreme Court 1960.
                 No. 8-Traffic 1960.
                 No. 9-Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) 1960.
                 No. 10-Auctioneers 1960.
                 No. 11-Native and Historical Objects and Areas Preservation 1960.
                 No. 12—Police and Police Offences (No. 2) 1960.
No. 13—Veterinary Surgeons 1960.
                 No. 14—Water Supplies Development 1960.
      Regulations-
            1960-
                 No. 9 (Building Ordinance).
                 No. 18 (Stock Routes and Travelling Stock Ordinance).
                 No. 1 (Firearms Ordinance).
                 No. 2 (Abattoirs and Slaughtering Ordinance).
Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1960-
No. 53—Public Works Committee.
     No. 54—Medical.
No. 55—Probate and Administration.
No. 56—Native Employment.
No. 57—Workers' Compensation (No. 2).
      No. 58—Dangerous Drugs.
      No. 60-Papua and New Guinea Retirement Benefits.
Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 27.
Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—
1960, Nos. 100, 101, 103.
1961, Nos. 8, 9, 17, 26.
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
      Army-G. W. Noble.
      Attorney-General-G. Hillier, J. F. Wood.
      Civil Aviation-S. P. Anderson, E. L. Angas-Johnson, M. J. Dabbs, A. J. C. Hall, E. W.
            Hooper, K. R. Meggs, R. R. Perks, G. G. Scott.
      Defence—G. M. McCann.
      Health-G. M. Budd, F. W. Cull, D. A. Ferguson.
     Immigration—F. T. J. de Grood, J. D. Tarbath. Interior—C. R. Cruttwell, D. W. Tostevin.
     National Development—A. L. Bigg-Wither, G. Lamberts, N. J. Price, G. A. Young. Postmaster-General—C. B. Elliott, C. E. Smith. Primary Industry—R. M. Boeree, J. B. Dundas-Taylor, P. W. V. Minoprio.
      Repatriation-H. S. Hillman, D. R. Hocking, C. C. Siegele.
      Social Services—E. R. Wellman.
      Supply—C. S. Bridges, R. A. D. Byron-Scott, A. P. Clarke, G. W. Conran, J. L. Cribb,
           L. J. Dann, J. N. Davidson, M. E. Evans, I. Firth, A. J. Fisher, H. J. Fisher, B. E. Furby, V. H. Goldfinch, J. S. Gubbay, J. A. Hart, D. W. J. Hawke, J. Hayward, J. A. F. Highfield, S. Irving, G. J. Jenks, G. Jepps, A. E. Jordan, L. J. Kerr, D. C. Knight, B. Lowe, F. Marson, I. G. W. McInnes, I. M. Napier, T. C. Nichols, T. J. Packer, D. B. Prowse, J. R. Pyle, B. D. C. Richards, N. R. Rischmueller, R. N. Smith, R. S. Trayford, R. W. Treasure, R. A. Walton, D. G. Willcox, W. Willshire, R. W. L. Wyers.
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Territories-A. E. Humble, E. M. Merlin, V. J. Walsh, B. Watts.

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Treasury-T. F. Cameron, P. D. Fells, R. D. B. Gibson, P. M. Lynch, F. G. H. Pooley,
    J. C. Shingleton, P. L. Till.
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Works—F. Adds, W. O. Anderson, A. Arkatow, B. G. Beck, J. G. Boucher, G. Brandt, E. H. K. Carver, J. E. F. Christie, P. T. Clarke, E. J. Corrie, R. G. Cox, B. S. Crisp, K. J. D'Alton, B. J. Davis, T. W. Duncan, T. G. Fennessy, E. L. Harkness, V. F. G. Harper, K. A. Hill, W. J. Horne, M. R. R. Hughes, G. F. Johnston, J. J. Kennedy, T. Krastins, E. N. Lawler, C. R. Logan, K. Mansfield, J. A. Martin, W. I. W. Matthews. D. P. McDonald, M. Moss, S. M. Ramins, D. L. Sedgman, F. Soutberg, L. P. Tanner, J. S. Walker, G. C. Wicks, J. A. Woodburn.

Public Service Arbitration Act—

Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission-Determinations-

1960-No. 57-Repatriation Department Medical Officers Association and Commonwealth Medical Officers' Association.

1961—No. 1—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.

Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1960—

No. 58-Federated Shipwrights and Ship Constructors' Association of Australia and

No. 59—Federated Miscellaneous Workers' Union of Australia.

No. 60-Musicians' Union of Australia.

Pyrites Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 15. Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 23.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act-

Ordinances—1960—
No. 11—Motor Traffic.
No. 12—Traffic.

Regulations-1961-

No. 1 (Motor Traffic Ordinance).

No. 2 (Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance).

Sulphuric Acid Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 104.

Wine Grapes Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1961, No. 3.

5. RESIGNATION OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The following letter from the Chairman of Committees (Mr. Bowden) was read by Mr. Speaker:-

Dear Mr. Speaker,

7th March, 1961.

Acting on the most compelling medical advice, I am obliged to vacate my Office of Chairman of Committees, and in so doing desire to express my appreciation and gratitude for the help and courtesy extended to me by all honorable members and all officers of the House.

Yours sincerely,

G. J. BOWDEN.

Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the resignation be accepted, and that the House proceed forthwith to appoint a Chairman of Committees. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

6. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Mr. Failes moved, That Mr. Lucock be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House, which motion was seconded by Mr. Falkinder.

Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That Mr. Clark be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House, which motion was seconded by Mr. Whitlam.

There being no further proposal-

The House accordingly proceeded to ballot; and the ballot being concluded, Mr. Speaker reported the result, as follows:-

Mr. Lucock Mr. Clark 42 votes.

Mr. Lucock was thereupon declared elected as Chairman.

Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister), Mr. Calwell and Mr. Holt (Treasurer) congratulated Mr. Lucock, who made his acknowledgments to the House.

7. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 17, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 17, I do hereby nominate—

Frederick Charles Chaney, Esquire,

Joseph James Clark, Esquire,

Laurence John Failes, Esquire,

Charles William Jackson Falkinder, Esquire,

The Honorable William Crawford Haworth,

Anthony Sylvester Luchetti, Esquire,

The Honorable Norman John Oswald Makin,

Edward William Peters, Esquire, and

Bruce McDonald Wight, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees. Given under my hand this eighth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-one.

J. McLeay,

8th March, 1961.

8. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FOR THE TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA—PRESENTATION OF PRESIDENT'S CHAIR.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a copy of the Resolution passed by the Legislative Council for the Territory of Papua and New Guinea on the occasion of the presentation of a President's Chair by the Commonwealth Parliament. The Resolution was as follows:—

"We, the Members of the Legislative Council for the Territory of Papua and New Guinea, in Council assembled, express our thanks to the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia for the Chair which they have presented to this Council for the use of its President in the new Chamber.

We were highly honoured to receive the Delegation by whose hand the presentation was made and extend to its members a warm welcome to this Territory.

We warmly reciprocate the greetings brought to this Council from the Commonwealth Parliament, and request the Members of the Delegation to convey to their colleagues our assurances that the Chair, so generously given to this Council, will long be treasured as an historic possession.".

9. Address in Reply to His Excellency the Administrator's Speech.—Mr. Chipp brought up the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech, prepared by the Committee appointed at the previous sitting, and the same was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY-

We, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament.

Mr. Chipp moved, That the Address be agreed to.

Mr. England seconded the motion.

Debate ensued.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Closure.--Mr. Adermann moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at eighteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan, Mr. Bird, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Menzies and Mr. Swartz.

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