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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 9TH MAY, 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. SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF OPENING OF FIRST COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) reminded the House that this day marked the sixtieth anniversary of the opening of the first Commonwealth Parliament on the 9th May, 1901, and the thirty-fourth anniversary of the opening of the present Parliamentary building. Mr. Menzies referred to Australia's growth and development over the past sixty years and added that, over that period, the Parliament had been preserved and strengthened as a free and truly democratic institution.
Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) associated the Opposition with the remarks of the Prime Minister.
3. PETITION.—Mr. J. R. Fraser presented a Petition from certain citizens of the Australian Capital Territory praying that the Government will take immediate action to defer the rental increases on Government-owned dwellings in Canberra and immediately promote an inquiry into rentals in relation to costs of living in Canberra and the need for the establishment of a Canberra Basic Wage.
Petition received.
4. CIVIL AVIATION RELATIONS BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Townley (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement relating to the sale of Australia's half share in Tasman Empire Airways Limited to the New Zealand Government and to new arrangements for civil aviation operations between Australia and New Zealand.
5. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth—
Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Report for year 1959–60.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for postal purposes—Millaa Millaa, Queensland.
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Health—J. R. J. McDowell.
Postmaster-General—J. W. Burton, P. M. Grant, W. J. Sayle, K. Soos.
Supply—W. L. J. Bourke, H. A. D'Assumpcao, G. R. Harradine, G. F. Peters, M. J. Piggott,
T. J. Schultz, O. Sentschuk, C. S. Stevenson, N. A. P. Sylow.
Trade—N. Hope.
Works—G. J. Bailey, J. M. Lyons, J. R. Newland, M. J. Nicholls, R. A. Oppen, J. L. Sheean.
6. MESSAGES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—Messages from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—
4th May, 1961—*Message No. 11*—
Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) 1961.
Sales Tax (Nos. 1 to 9) 1961.
5th May, 1961—*Message No. 12*—Northern Territory Supreme Court 1961.
6th May, 1961—*Message No. 13*—Marriage 1961.
7. INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION—STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. Allan, by leave, made a Statement relating to the spring meeting of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Council held in Geneva between the 3rd and the 9th April, 1961.

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8. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1961.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1960*.
Question—put and passed.
9. STEVEDORING INDUSTRY BILL 1961.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Stevedoring Industry Act 1956–1957*.
Question—put and passed.
10. DEFENCE PAY BILL 1961.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to validate certain Payments made to or in respect of Members of the Defence Force and to Persons employed in a Civil Capacity under the *Naval Defence Act 1910–1952*.
Question—put and passed.
Bill brought up, and read a first time.
Mr. Cramer moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Barnard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
11. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR—CELLULOSE ACETATE FLAKE BOUNTY BILL 1961.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth:—

DALLAS BROOKS,
Administrator.

Message No. 14.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth 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 *Cellulose Acetate Flake Bounty Act 1956–1959*.

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

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Cellulose Acetate Flake Bounty Act 1956–1959*.
Question—put and passed.
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Mr. Osborne 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. Osborne, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. Osborne and Mr. McMahon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Osborne, and read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

12. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 1 TO 7), CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 1) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENTS (NOS. 1 AND 2).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 1 TO 4).

(*See proposed Resolutions of the 16th March, 1961 (pages 18–9).*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 5 AND 6).

(*See proposed Resolutions of the 23rd March, 1961 (pages 34–5).*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 7).

(*See proposed Resolution of the 18th April, 1961 (page 49).*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 1).

(*See proposed Resolution of the 16th March, 1961 (pages 20–4).*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 1).

(*See proposed Resolution of the 16th March, 1961 (page 24).*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 2).

(*See proposed Resolution of the 18th April, 1961 (page 49).*)

Motions, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

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

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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. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) 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. Osborne, the Resolutions reported from the Committee were adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Osborne and Mr. McMahon do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

13. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL 1961.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

14. CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) BILL 1961.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (Canada Preference) 1960 ’* ”.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

15. CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) BILL (No. 1) 1961.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933–1960 ’* ”.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

17. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 2) 1960–61.—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.

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The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Closure.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 53.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cash	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chipp	Mr. Fox	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McCalm	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Murray	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Browne	Mr. Dean	Mr. Holt	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holten	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bury	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Pearce
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. England	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 22.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Beazley	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Jones	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—was put accordingly, 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. Failes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

18. APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 2) 1960-61.—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. Haworth reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

19. SUPPLY BILL 1961-62.—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. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

20. SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL 1961-62.—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. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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

9th May, 1961—*Message*—

No. 11—Customs Tariff (Dumping and Subsidies) 1961 (*without requests*).

No. 12—Coal Excise 1961.

No. 13—States Grants (Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave) 1961.

No. 14—Excise Tariff 1961 (*without requests*).

22. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) 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, 51.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Forbes	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chipp	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Murray	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Dean	Mr. Holt	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holten	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bury	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. England	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Cash	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull

Noes, 18.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Cope	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Sexton	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Jones	Mr. Ward	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Bryant	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Makin	Mr. Whitlam	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

And then the House, at seven minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bandidt, Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Bird, Mr. Courtney, Mr. Fairhall*, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Kearney, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes and Mr. Lawson.

* On leave.

N. J. PARKES,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.