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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 36.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 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. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) presented a Petition from certain electors of Victoria praying that the House will take immediate steps to implement measures for (a) the easing of the direct tax burden on the working people and the removal of indirect taxation on necessities, (b) the alleviation of economic hardship by immediately doubling all social service and repatriation payments, (c) the allocation of additional Federal finance for the purpose of greatly expanding the construction of homes, schools, hospitals, and public works projects and (d) the imposition of heavier taxation on company profits, including the institution of a capital gains tax.
Petition received and read.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Australian Universities Commission—Committee on University Salaries—Report.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
International Monetary Agreements Act—Annual Report on operations of the Act, and insofar as they relate to Australia, of the International Monetary Fund Agreement and the International Bank Agreement, for year 1960–61.
National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—Thirty-eighth Annual Report, for year 1960–61.
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinances—1961—
No. 6—Lighterage.
No. 7—Licensing of Boats Repeal.
Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1961—
No. 28—Traffic.
No. 29—Darwin Hospital Advisory Board.
Public Service Act—Public Service Board—Thirty-seventh Report on the Public Service, for year 1960–61.
4. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Davis (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:—
Fifty-fourth Report—Form of the Estimates: Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works and Other Services involving Capital Expenditure.
Ordered to be printed.
5. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1961–62.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Ordered—That the Votes be considered in the following order, either separately or together, as shown:—
Parliament.
Prime Minister's Department.
Department of External Affairs.
Attorney-General's Department.

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Department of the Interior, and Department of Works	} together.
Department of Civil Aviation, and Department of Shipping and Transport	} together.
Department of Territories, and Territories of the Commonwealth— Northern Territory; Australian Capital Territory; Norfolk Island; Papua and New Guinea; Cocos (Keeling) Islands, and Christmas Island	} together.
Department of Customs and Excise; Department of Trade; Department of Primary Industry, and Bounties and Subsidies	} together.
Department of Health; Department of Social Services; War and Repatriation Services, and Payments to or for the States—Department of Health	} together.
Department of Immigration, and Department of Labour and National Service	} together.
Department of National Development, and Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization	} together.
Defence Services— Department of Defence; Department of the Navy; Department of the Army; Department of Air; Department of Supply, and General Services	} together.
Department of the Treasury; Refunds of Revenue, and Advance to the Treasurer	} together.
Business Undertakings— Commonwealth Railways; Postmaster-General's Department, and Broadcasting and Television Services	} together.

Remainder of Vote—"Parliament, £1,322,000"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Prime Minister's Department, £11,461,000"—debated.

Mr. Johnson moved, as an amendment, That the Vote be reduced by £1.

Debate continued.

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.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Member named.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for East Sydney for defying the Chair.

Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, That the honorable Member for East Sydney be suspended from the service of the House.

Withdrawal of Member from House.—Mr. Ward then being grossly disorderly by continuing to defy the Chair, Mr. Speaker directed the Serjeant-at-Arms, under Standing Order No. 303, to remove the honorable Member. The honorable Member, escorted by the Serjeant-at-Arms, withdrew from the House.

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Question—That the honorable Member for East Sydney be suspended from the service of the House—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chipp	Mr. Failes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. King	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. McColm	
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McMahan	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holten	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cash	Mr. England	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtney	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Davies	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Uren	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Member suspended.—The honorable Member was, therefore, suspended for seven days excluding the day of suspension, under Standing Order No. 302, this being the second occasion of suspension during the year.

Debate continued.

Question—That the House do now adjourn—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., 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. Bowden, Mr. Browne, Mr. Bury, Mr. Daly, Mr. Fairhall, Mr. J. M. Fraser, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Jess, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Thompson.

N. J. PARKES,

Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.