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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1962.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Kelly presented a Petition from certain residents of Watervale and district in the State of South Australia praying that pensioners be given relief from increasing costs by enabling them to have earnings that would bring their income to half of the basic wage.  
Petition received.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.
4. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE—STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER.—Mr. Speaker made a Statement with reference to the principal rules governing questions without notice.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Postmaster-General's Department—  
Fifty-first Annual Report, for year 1960–61.  
Financial and Statistical Bulletin, for year 1960–61.  
Auditor-General's Report on Post Office Commercial Accounts for year 1960–61.  
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for postal purposes—Spence, South Australia.  
Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1962, No. 13.  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
Supply—W. M. Kidd, J. Stals, C. Thomson, G. J. Thornton.  
Works—R. P. Curtis.  
Public Works Committee Act—Twenty-seventh General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.
6. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, by leave, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1960*, the following Members be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, viz.:—Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Dean, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. McIvor and Mr. O'Connor.  
Question—put and passed.
7. PERMANENT BARRACKS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOMMODATION, H.M.A.S. *Kuttabul*, SYDNEY—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1960*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House:—Erection of Permanent Barracks and Administrative Accommodation at H.M.A.S. *Kuttabul*, Sydney.  
Question—put and passed.

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8. SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1962.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

Mr. A. D. Fraser moved, That the clause be postponed.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 60.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. England	Mr. Holten	Mr. McNeill	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Menzies	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Nixon	
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jess	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Falkinder	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 58.

Mr. Armitage	Mr. Comber	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Uren
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Webb
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. D. J. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the clause be postponed—being accordingly put—

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 57.

Mr. Armitage	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Uren
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Webb
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. D. J. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Coutts
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Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Whittorn
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wilson
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Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. England	Mr. Holten	Mr. McNeill	
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And so it was negated.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 5 agreed to.

Clause 6—

Mr. A. D. Fraser moved the following amendment:—Page 3, paragraph (a), omit "Four pounds two shillings and sixpence", insert "Five pounds ten shillings".

*Chairman's Ruling*.—The Chairman ruled that the proposed amendment would not be in order as its effect would be to increase the amount of the appropriation required.*Dissent from Ruling*.—Mr. Whitlam having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling, moved, That the Ruling be dissented from.

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Question—put.

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Mr. Armitage	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Uren
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Webb
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And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Remainder of 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. Robertson (Minister for Social Services), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

9. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:—

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—

Debate resumed.

*Suspension of Standing Orders—Extended Time for Speech.*—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) speaking for a period not exceeding 45 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Calwell moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the Address:—" but desire to advise Your Excellency that the Government no longer possesses the confidence of the Parliament and the Nation because its latest proposals—

1. neglect to restore continuous full employment and are totally inadequate to assure job opportunities for school leavers;
2. leave Australian manufacturing industry without adequate protection and the business world without a return of confidence;
3. adopt only short-term measures which can be readily reversed or abandoned in a further application of its 'stop-go' policies;
4. provide no basis for long-term planning of investment, production, employment and balance of overseas payments;
5. overlook family social services which would have a continuing social and economic benefit;
6. reject the unanimous and urgent request of the Premiers for an inquiry into the needs of education;
7. fail to reverse its three increases in interest on housing loans;
8. ignore the need to protect wool producers from price manipulation;
9. give no assurance to the dairying, meat, wheat, sugar, fruit, and other primary industries in the event of the United Kingdom being admitted to the European Common Market;
10. fail to restore a fertilizer subsidy to strengthen primary industries;
11. defer the restoration of selective import licensing;
12. ignore the opportunities for developing Northern Australia;
13. employ the wrong methods in reducing taxation;
14. betray the hopes of migrants coming to Australia, and
15. postpone legislation to expose and curb monopolistic and restrictive practices".

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Debate continued.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

*Censure Amendment.*—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that the Government did not propose to deal with other business until the Censure Amendment moved by the Leader of the Opposition to the Address in Reply was disposed of.

Debate continued.

*Closure.*—Mr. Freeth moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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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 six minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bird and Mr. Ward.

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