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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 6.

THURSDAY, 1ST MARCH, 1962.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A Message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—
28th February, 1962—*Message No. 2*—Social Services 1962.

3. 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—*And on the Amendment moved by Mr. Calwell, viz.:*—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"—

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. Menzies (Prime Minister) making his speech without limitation of time.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued.

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

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4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:—
1st March, 1962—*Message No. 3—Social Services 1962.*
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization purposes—Griffith, New South Wales.
Defence production purposes—St. Marys, New South Wales.
Postal purposes—
Marys Mount, New South Wales.
Wandook, New South Wales.
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Supply—N. L. McDonald.
Works—L. A. Moore.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next 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.