THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 29.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH MAY, 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. Uren presented a Petition from certain electors in the Sydney area praying that (1) Australia protest to the British and United States Governments regarding forthcoming nuclear tests and refuse to participate in tests in the Pacific area, (2) the Minister for Defence be instructed not to negotiate for nuclear bases in Australia and (3) the Minister for External Affairs reconsider his reply to the Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations expressing Australia's refusal to participate in a "non-nuclear club'

Petition received and read.

- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.
- 4. EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET NEGOTIATIONS-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, informed the House that during the adjournment of the Parliament he would make a brief visit to Great Britain and the United States in connexion with Common Market negotiations. He also informed the House that there would be a Prime Ministers' Conference in London in September when, it was proposed, the House would adjourn for four weeks after the general debate on the Budget was disposed of. Mr. Menzies also stated that, as the Common Market problem concerned both sides of the House, the Government had invited the Opposition to send some of its leading Members overseas so that they may acquaint themselves at first hand with currents of opinion.
- 5. Physically Handicapped Persons—Permanent Employment in Commonwealth Public Service— MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement announcing a decision of the Government that wider opportunities would be provided in the Commonwealth Public Service for the permanent appointment of "physically handicapped" persons.
- 6. Messages from the Senate.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:-

15th May, 1962-Message-

No. 44—Dairying Industry 1962. No. 45—Processed Milk Products Bounty 1962.

No. 46—Dairy Produce Export Charge 1962 (without requests).

No. 47—Dairy Produce Export Control 1962.

7. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—EGG MARKETING.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Beaton had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's failure to take steps to safeguard the sale of eggs and egg products to other countries and among the States".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr. Beaton addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

8. Public Works Committee—Reference of Work—Stage 2, Commonwealth Centre, Melbourne.-Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Committee Act 1913-1960, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report:—Erection of Stage 2 of the Commonwealth Centre, Melbourne.

Mr. Freeth laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

16th May, 1962.

Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Bill 1962.—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.

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. Opperman (Minister for Shipping and Transport), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

10. International Wheat Agreement Bill 1962.—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.

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. Fairhall (Minister for Supply), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

11. Messages from the Senate.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—

16th May, 1962-Message-

No. 48-Rayon Yarn Bounty 1962.

No. 49-States Grants (Universities) 1962.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fairhall (Minister for Supply) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

		AYES, 39.		
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. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. England	Mr. Holten	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. McNeill	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Nixon	Tellers:
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jess	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Roberton	
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Falkinder	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
Noes, 55.				
Mr. Armitage	Mr. Cope	Mr. Gray	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Harding	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cross	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	
Mr. D. J. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Tellers:
Mr. Clay	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Comber	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Duthie
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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 nineteen 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. Bird, Mr. A. D. Fraser and Mr. Hansen.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.