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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1964.

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. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade and Industry) moved, That leave of absence for two months be given to the Chairman of Committees (Mr. Lucock) on the ground of Parliamentary business overseas.
Question—put and passed.
4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That leave of absence for two months be given to the honorable Member for Swan (Mr. Cleaver) on the ground of Parliamentary business overseas.
Question—put and passed.
5. PAPERS.—The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Qantas Empire Airways Limited—Thirtieth Annual Report and financial accounts, for year ended 31st March, 1964.
The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute—
Social Services Act—Director-General of Social Services—Twenty-third Annual Report, for year 1963-64.
6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBERS.—Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That leave of absence for two months be given to the honorable Members for Griffith (Mr. Coutts) and Stirling (Mr. Webb) on the ground of Parliamentary business overseas.
Question—put and passed.
7. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, pursuant to notice, That government business shall take precedence over general business to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
8. POST AND TELEGRAPH RATES BILL 1964.—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 by Mr. Crean who moved, as an amendment, That all words after " That " be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—" this House condemns the unnecessary and unjust action taken by the Government to increase the charges imposed on telephone users ".
Debate continued.
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

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Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chipp	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robinson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cockle	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Jess	Mr. Shaw
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Gibson	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Mr. Giles	Mr. Killen	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Bosman	Mr. England	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Bowen	Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Maisey	Mr. Turner
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bury	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Kelly
Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Harding	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Uren
Mr. Benson	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Nicholls	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Davies	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Collard	Mr. Devine	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Connor	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Jones

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General), the Bill was read a third time.

9. BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION BILL 1964.—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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Failes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—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 Bills:—

23rd September, 1964—Message No. 40—

Repatriation 1964.

Social Services (No. 2) 1964.

Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances 1964.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eighteen 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. Birrell, Mr. Bryant*, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Cleaver*, Mr. Courtney*, Mr. Coutts*, Sir John Cramer, Mr. Fairhall, Mr. A. D. Fraser*, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Hansen, Mr. Holt, Mr. King*, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Lucock*, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Webb* and Mr. Wentworth.

* On leave.

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