THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 60.

MONDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 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. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS .-- Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr. Howson, Mr. Fairhall (Minister for Supply) would act as Minister for Air.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.

4. PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—

Australian War Memorial Act-Board of Trustees of the Australian War Memorial-First Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1963-64. Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act-Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority-Fifteenth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1963-64.

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

30th October, 1964-Message-

No. 96—Australian Coastal Shipping Commission 1964.

No. 97—Dried Fruits Export Control 1964. No. 98—Dried Fruits Export Charges 1964.

No. 99-Law Officers 1964.

6. Messages from the Governor-General-Assent to Bills.-Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:-

30th October, 1964-Message No. 53-

Parliamentary Allowances 1964.

Ministers of State (No. 2) 1964.

Parliamentary Retiring Allowances 1964.

3rd November, 1964—Message No. 54—

Appropriation 1964-65.

Appropriation (Special Expenditure) 1964-65.

5th November, 1964—Message—

No. 55-

Salaries (Statutory Offices) Adjustment 1964.

Sales Tax (Nos. 1 to 9) 1964.

No. 56-

Loan (Housing) 1964.

Loan (War Service Land Settlement) 1964.

Migration 1964.

Australian Coastal Shipping Commission 1964.

Dried Fruits Export Control 1964.

Dried Fruits Export Charges 1964.

Law Officers 1964.

6th November, 1964-Message No. 57-

Defence 1964.

Naval Defence 1964.

Air Force 1964.

9th November, 1964.

7. STATES GRANTS (SPECIAL ASSISTANCE) 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.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Davies), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

8. Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 25 and 26 and Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals No. 8.—Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—

Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 25 and 26; and

Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals No. 8.

Debate adjourned (Mr. J. F. Cairns), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

 PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Tariff Board—Reports—

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D.C. electrical generators exceeding 250 kW.

Dental chairs and units.

Ginger, oil of ginger, oleoresin of ginger.

Narrow woven fabrics and adjustable shoulder straps.

Severally ordered to be printed.

10. States Grants (Special Assistance) 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.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 58, dated 14th October, 1964, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Opperman (Minister for Immigration), the Bill was read a third time.

11. Message from the Senate.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—

9th November, 1964—Message No. 100—Copper and Brass Strip Bounty 1964.

12. Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Bill (No. 3) 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.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

(In the committee.)

Clause 1—

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Failes reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said committee.

13. Loan (Airlines Equipment) Bill 1964.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to approve the raising by way of Loan of Moneys in the Currency of the United States of America to be lent to the Australian National Airlines Commission and to Qantas Empire Airways Limited, and for purposes connected therewith.

Bill read a first time.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14. Commonwealth Employees' Compensation Bill 1964.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Employees' Compensation Act 1930-1962. Bill read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Cameron), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15. SEAMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL 1964.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Shipping and Transport), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Seamen's Compensation Act 1911-1960.

Mr. Freeth moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Cameron), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

16. Message from the Senate.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—

9th November, 1964—Message No. 101—Representation 1964.

9th November, 1964.

17. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 3) 1964.—The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the committee.)

Clauses 1 to 5, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 13, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 14 debated and agreed to.

Clause 15 agreed to.

Clauses 16 and 17, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.

Clause 18 debated and agreed to.

Clause 19 agreed to.

Clause 20 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 21 to 23, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 24 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 25 to 28, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 29 debated and agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Failes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

18. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, by leave, That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent orders of the day Nos. 3 and 4, government business, being

Question—put and passed.

19. Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Bill (No. 2) 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

20. INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

21. Message from the Senate.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:-

9th November, 1964—Message No. 102—States Grants (Special Assistance) 1964.

22. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 9th November, 1964, pursuant to statute-

Cellulose Acetate Flake Bounty Act—Return for year 1963-64.

Customs Tariff-Orders-

Customs (British Preferential Tariff) No. 21.

Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 149.

Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Order—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 176.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, No. 133.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—
Australian Atomic Energy Commission purposes—Lucas Heights, New South Wales.

Defence purposes—Cairns (Edge Hill), Queensland.

Lighthouse purposes—Pearson Islands, South Australia.

Postal purposes—Maudsland, Queensland.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, No. 130.

Public Service Act-

Appointments—Department-

Prime Minister—A. W. Wiles.

Shipping and Transport—P. C. Trotter.

Territories-R. Wooller.

Regulations-Statutory Rules 1964, Nos. 131, 132.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Barnard, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bryant, Mr. K. M. K. Cairns, Mr. Cleaver*, Mr. Coutts*, Mr. Drury, Mr. Griffiths*, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Hayden, Mr. Howson, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lucock*, Mr. Snedden, Mr. Webb* and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

N. J. PARKES,