THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 74.

THURSDAY, 1st APRIL, 1965.

- 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.
- PETITION.—Mr. Cockle presented a petition from certain electors of the Division of Warringah praying that the Australian Government seek to persuade the United States of America to agree to an immediate cease-fire in Vietnam so that a negotiated settlement may be reached under the auspices of a reconvened Geneva Conference.
 Petition received.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Nauru—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of Nauru for year 1963-64.

New Guinea—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of New Guinea for year 1963-64.

- 5. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—GENERAL BUSINESS NOTICE.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, by leave, That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the consideration of notice No. 1, general business, being continued until 3 p.m. Question—put and passed.
- 6. CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW.—Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) moved, pursuant to notice, That this House is of opinion that the recommendations of the Joint Committee on Constitutional Review which reported to both Houses in 1958 and 1959, particularly those recommendations with respect to the terms and rotation of Senators, the number of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives, the division of States into electoral divisions and disagreement between the Senate and the House of Representatives, should be submitted to the people for their approval. Debate ensued.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—FOREIGN AFFAIRS—JOINT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate transmits to the House of Representatives the following Resolutions which were agreed to by the Senate this day:-

- (1) That Senator Laught be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs; and
- (2) That, until such time as vacancies for members of the Senate on the Committee are filled by members of the Opposition, Senator Branson be a member of the Committee.

T. C. DRAKE-BROCKMAN,

Deputy-President.

Message No. 138.

Canberra, 1st April, 1965.

8. POULTRY INDUSTRY LEVY BILL 1965.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to levy Moneys in respect of Hens kept for Commercial purposes.

Bill read a first time.

The Senate,

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

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

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- 9. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAMME—CORRESPONDENCE EXCHANGED— MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—
 - United States of America Balance of Payments Programme—Letters, dated 12th and 24th March, 1965, exchanged between the Prime Minister and the President of the United States of America. Sir Robert Menzies, by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the subject of the letters, and by command of His Functional the Commandation of the subject of the letters.

 - and moved, That the House take note of the papers.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell-Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10. NAURU—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—Mr. Barnes (Minister for Territories), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to matters relating to Nauru, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:— Nauru—Ministerial statement, 1st April, 1965
 - and moved, That the House take note of the paper.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. J. F. Cairns), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 11. POULTRY INDUSTRY LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1965.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Collection of Levy under the *Poultry Industry Levy Act* 1965. Bill read a first time.

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

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 12. POULTRY INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE BILL 1965.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision for the grant of Financial Assistance to the States for the assistance of the Poultry Industry, and for other purposes. Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 13. WOOL—RESERVE PRICE SCHEME—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to negotiations to date in connexion with the establishment of a conservative reserve price scheme for wool.
- 14. CUSTOMS TARIFF (No. 1), CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (New ZEALAND PREFERENCE) BILLS 1965.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bills be now read a second time— Debate resumed.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Peters), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.
- 15. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—JOINT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Leader of the Government in the Senate had appointed Senator Hannaford to be a member of the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Vincent.
- 16. FOREIGN AFFAIRS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT, 23RD MARCH, 1965—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.— The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs):—That the House take note of the paper (presented on the 23rd March, 1965), viz.:—

Foreign Affairs-Ministerial statement, 23rd March, 1965-

Debate resumed.

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

17. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—HOUSING LOANS INSURANCE BILL 1965.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 139.

T. C. DRAKE-BROCKMAN,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to make provision with respect to Insurance against Losses arising out of the making of Loans for the purpose of financing Housing", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st April, 1965.

Deputy-President.

Ordered—That the amendment be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

1st April, 1965.

18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Mr. Bryant rising to address the House-

Closure.--Mr. Aston 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, 61.				
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anthony Mr. Armstrong Mr. Aston Mr. Barnes Mr. Bosman Mr. Bridges-Maxwell Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Buchanan Mr. Bury Mr. K. M. K. Cairns Mr. Chaney	Mr. Chipp Mr. Cleaver Mr. Cockle Sir J. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Drury Mr. England Mr. Failes Mr. Fairhall Mr. Faikinder Mr. Forbes Mr. Fox Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Freeth Mr. Gibbs Mr. Gibson Mr. Giles Mr. Hallett Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Holten Mr. Holten Mr. Holten Mr. Hughes Mr. Hulme Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Jack Sir W. Kent Hughes Mr. Killen Mr. Lindsay Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackay Mr. Mackinnon Mr. Maisey Mr. Nixon Mr. Opperman Mr. Pettitt Mr. Shaw	Mr. Sinclair Mr. Stokes Mr. Swartz Mr. Turner Mr. Wentworth Mr. Whittorn Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Kelly Mr. Turnbull
		Noes, 34.		
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beaton Mr. Beazley Mr. Bryant Mr. J. F. Cairns Mr. Collard Mr. Cope	Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cross Mr. Curtin Mr. Daly Mr. Devine Mr. Galvin	Mr. Gray Mr. Hansen Mr. Harding Mr. Hayden Mr. James Mr. Johnson Mr. Jones	Mr. Luchetti Mr. Minogue Mr. Mortimer Mr. Nicholls Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Riordan Mr. Sexton Mr. Stewart Mr. Whitlam Tellers: Mr. Coutts Mr. Duthle

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 twenty-one minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPER.—The following paper was deemed to have been presented on the 1st April, 1965, pursuant to statute— Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 34.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bowen, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. A. D. Fraser*, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Uren.

• On leave.

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

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