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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 78.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1965.

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. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Right Honorable Arthur Bottomley, O.B.E., M.P., Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations in the Government of the United Kingdom, was within the precincts. The distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honorable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.
3. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that during the respective absences abroad of Mr. Holt, Mr. Fairbairn and Mr. Opperman and the forthcoming absence abroad of Mr. Hasluck, he would act as Treasurer and Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Fairhall (Minister for Supply) would act as Minister for National Development and Mr. Bury (Minister for Housing) would act as Minister for Immigration.
4. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
5. DEFENCE FORCES RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—Mr. Forbes (Minister assisting the Treasurer), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Scheme, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—
Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Scheme—Ministerial statement, 27th April, 1965—
and moved, That the House take note of the paper.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
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 of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—
12th April, 1965—Message No. 79—
Raw Cotton Bounty 1965.
Pollution of the Sea by Oil 1965.
Parliamentary Presiding Officers 1965.
21st April, 1965—Message No. 80—Homes Savings Grant 1965.
7. CUSTOMS TARIFF (NO. 1), CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) BILLS 1965.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bills.

(In the committee.)

Customs Tariff Bill (No. 1) 1965—

First Schedule further debated and agreed to.

Second Schedule—

Ordered to be considered by items.

Items 261, 273 and 330, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.

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Item 460 debated.

Question—That the item be agreed to—put.

The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 54.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pettitt
Mr. Armstrong	Mr. Cockle	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Jess	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Bate	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Bosman	Mr. Drury	Mr. Gibson	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Bowen	Mr. England	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Killen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Holten	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bury	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Howson	Mr. Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hughes	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Aston
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Fox	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Nixon	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 38.

Mr. Beaton	Mr. Cope	Mr. Gray	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Benson	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Webb
Mr. Birrell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Harding	Mr. Nicholls	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clark	Mr. Fulton	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Collard	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Customs Tariff (Canada Preference) and Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Bills 1965, by leave, taken as a whole together, and agreed to.

Bills to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the report, and the Bills were together read a third time.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 to 21, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
9. THE FUTURE CANBERRA—REPORT—PAPER NOTED.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Anthony (Minister for the Interior):—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on the 14th October, 1964*), viz.:—
The Future Canberra—A long range plan for land use and civic design—Report by National Capital Development Commission—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed.
10. INDIA—DRAWING FROM INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND—AUSTRALIAN CONTRIBUTION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer):—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on the 30th March, 1965*), viz.:—
India—Drawing from International Monetary Fund—Australian Contribution—Ministerial statement, 30th March, 1965—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed.
11. POST OFFICE CHARGES ON CONVERSION TO DECIMAL CURRENCY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Swartz (Minister for Health):—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on the 30th March, 1965*), viz.:—
Post Office Charges on Conversion to Decimal Currency—Ministerial statement, 30th March, 1965—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That order of the day No. 23, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
13. TELEVISION—COMMERCIAL LICENCES, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE AND PERTH AREAS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND REPORT—PAPERS NOTED.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General):—That the House take note of the papers (*presented on the 27th February, 1964*), viz.:—
Television—
Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Report and recommendations to the Postmaster-General on Applications for a Licence for a Commercial Television Station in the Brisbane area, in the Adelaide area and in the Perth area, and
Commercial Licences, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth Areas—Ministerial statement, 27th February, 1964—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed,

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

Question—put and passed.

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

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 27th April, 1965—

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Treaties—Texts of—

- (1) Exchange of Notes dated 1st and 16th September, 1964, between Australia and Indonesia constituting an agreement for the extension of the 1959 Trade Agreement.
- (2) Agreement between Australia and the United States of America for the financing of certain Educational and Cultural Exchange Programmes, signed 28th August, 1964.
- (3) Agreement between Australia, France, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States of America to amend the 1951 Agreement establishing the South Pacific Commission, signed 6th October, 1964.
- (4) Agreement between Australia and the United Nations Special Fund concerning assistance from the Special Fund for a project of Research on the Control of the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, together with Plan of Operation and Exchange of Notes dated 30th September, 1964.
- (5) Procès-Verbal of 30th October, 1964, extending the Declaration of 13th November, 1962 on the Provisional Accession of the United Arab Republic to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.
- (6) Second Procès-Verbal of 30th October, 1964, extending the Declaration on the Provisional Accession of Argentina to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.
- (7) Declaration of 13th November, 1962, on the Provisional Accession of the United Arab Republic to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.
- (8) Resolution of 15th September, 1964, to amend the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization.
- (9) Agreement between Australia and Southern Rhodesia concerning the mutual exchange of money orders, signed 8th January, 1965.
- (10) Exchange of Notes dated 10th February, 1965, between Australia and the United States of America for the amendment of the 1960 Agreement on Space Vehicle Tracking and Communications.
- (11) Exchange of Notes dated 12th April, 1965, between Australia and the United States of America, constituting an agreement to extend the Agreement of 3rd January, 1964, relating to a Joint Research Programme for the purpose of studying aero-space disturbances and their effect upon radio communications.
- (12) Agreement between Australia and France relating to Air Transport, signed 13th April, 1965.
- (13) Exchange of Notes dated 7th April, 1965, between Australia and Laos for the amendment of the 1963 Agreement concerning the Foreign Exchange Operations Fund for Laos.

Pursuant to statute—

Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission—Albion Explosives Factory and the Government Aircraft Factories, Victoria—Award C No. 884 of 1965 by G. A. Findlay, Esq., Commissioner.

Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 40.

Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Orders—Berthing of a vessel (3).

Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—Civil aviation purposes—Campbellfield North, Victoria.

Postal purposes—

Great Western, Victoria.

Mannahill, South Australia.

Swan Hill, Victoria.

Water supply and electricity purposes—Darwin, Northern Territory.

Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1965—No. 1—Ordinances Revision.

Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1965—

No. 8—Appropriation (No. 2) 1964–65.

No. 10—Public Works Committee (Papua and New Guinea).

No. 13—Motor Traffic.

No. 14—United Church (Papua and New Guinea).

No. 15—Administrative Re-organization (District Administration).

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, Nos. 41, 42.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department of Civil Aviation—B, McG, Fraser, D. R., Luttrell.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1965—
 No. 33—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 No. 34—Meat Inspectors' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 No. 35—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
 No. 36—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
 No. 37—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
 No. 38—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
 No. 39—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 No. 40—Australian Journalists' Association.
 No. 42—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 Nos. 43 and 44—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
 No. 45—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 No. 46—Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union; and
 Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
 No. 47—Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union.
 Nos. 48, 49 and 50—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.
 Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Regulations—1965—No. 2 (Canberra Community
 Hospital Ordinance).
 Stevedoring Industry Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 39.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Allan, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Connor, Mr. Cross, Mr. Davies, Mr. Davis, Mr. Devine, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. A. D. Fraser*, Mr. Giles, Mr. Holt, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. King, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Uren*.

* On leave.

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