## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 100.

## WEDNESDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 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. Petitions.—Mr. Mortimer presented a petition from certain citizens of the Division of Grey praying that the Commonwealth Government will take immediate steps to provide high standard television reception throughout the entire Far West Coast and Upper Eyre Peninsula Region of South Australia.
  - Mr. Minogue presented a petition from certain electors of the Commonwealth praying that the Australian Government withdraw our troops from, and call for an immediate cessation of hostilities in, Vietnam, and through world leaders seek a conference of conflicting parties aimed at permanent peace and self-determination of the Vietnamese people based on the principles of the 1954 Geneva Accords. Petitions severally received.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), for 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.
- 5. TELEVISION TRANSMITTER BUILDING AND ASSOCIATED WORKS, MACKAY, QUEENSLAND—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Freeth (Minister representing the Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Committee Act 1913-1960, it is expedient that the following work should be carried out without having been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—Mackay, Queensland—Erection of Television Transmitter Building, Construction of Access Road and Provision of Power Supply.

Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

- 6. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1965-66—BUDGET DEBATE.—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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition), viz.:—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"this House condemns the Budget because—
  - (1) such taxation increases as it contains add further burdens to wage and salary earners whose living standards have already been eroded by price rises and the Government's active intervention against wage increases;
  - (2) such meagre social service benefits as it proposes are inadequate, belated and partial in their application; and
  - (3) the Budget fails entirely to deal with such problems as increases in imports and Australia's dependence on foreign capital.

This House further declares that only by proper economic planning can Australia rapidly expand the resources required to meet its urgent needs in the fields of defence, development, education and social welfare "—

Debate resumed.

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Brimblecombe), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Swartz (Minister for Health) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 1st September, 1965, pursuant to

Australian National University Act-Statutes-

No. 65-Staff Superannuation Amendment No. 6.

No. 66-Board of the School of General Studies Amendment No. 1.

No. 67—Faculties (School of General Studies) Amendment No. 3. No. 68—Board of the Institute of Advanced Studies Amendment No. 1.

No. 69—University House Amendment No. 4.

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 121.

Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 120.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan, Mr. Aston, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Failes, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. J. R. Fraser, Mr. Sexton and Mr. Uren.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.