THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 118.

TUESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 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. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence, owing to illness, of Senator Paltridge, Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General) would act as Minister for Defence and, in the Senate, Senator Henty (Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate) would represent the Prime Minister in matters other than education and research, Senator Gorton (Minister for Works) would represent the Acting Minister for Defence, Senator McKellar (Minister for Repatriation) would represent the Minister for Housing and Senator Anderson (Minister for Customs and Excise) would represent the Minister for National Development and the Minister for Shipping and Transport.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—

Taxation-

Forty-fourth Report of the Commissioner of Taxation, dated 1st October, 1965. Taxation Statistics, 1963-64.

Severally ordered to be printed.

Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Seventeenth Annual Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1964-65. Cattle and Beef Research Act—Australian Cattle and Beef Research Committee—Fifth Annual Report, for year 1964-65.

National Capital Development Commission Act—National Capital Development Commission—Eighth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1964-65.

Petroleum Search Subsidy Act 1959-1964-Sixth Annual Statement, for year 1964-65.

- Assurance Company Investments—Ministerial Statement.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, made a
 ministerial statement concerning certain investments made by the Mutual Life and Citizens Assurance
 Co. Ltd.
 - Mr. Whitlam, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.
- 6. ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE—DEPLOYMENT OF AIRCRAFT TO BORNEO—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—
 Mr. Hulme (Acting Minister for Defence), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House that a detachment of Royal Australian Air Force Sabre aircraft from Butterworth was being deployed to Borneo for a period as part of Australia's contribution to the defence of Malaysia.
- 7. NAVAL PROGRAMME—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—Mr. Chaney (Minister for the Navy), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of certain decisions reached by the Government concerning the Navy's Three Year Programme 1965-66 to 1967-68, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—

Naval Programme—Ministerial statement, 26th October, 1965—

and moved, That the House take note of the paper.

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Beazley), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 8. STATES GRANTS (SPECIAL ASSISTANCE) BILL 1965.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to Grant Financial Assistance to the States of Western Australia and Tasmania.

 Bill read a first time

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

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

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9. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1965-66.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the committee.)

Second Schedule-

Proposed expenditure—Department of Housing, £1,988,000—

Debate resumed on the proposed expenditure, and on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Johnson, viz.:—
That the proposed expenditure be reduced by £1.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 44.							
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Webb			
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam			
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mortimer				
Mr. Benson	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Nicholls				
Mr. Birrell	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. O'Connor				
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Peters				
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. Pollard	Tell e rs:			
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Devine	Mr. James	Mr. Reynolds				
Mr. Collard	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Coutts			
Mr. Connor	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Jones	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Duthie			
Noes, 56.							
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Jack	Mr. Sinclair			
Mr. Allan	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Jess	Mr. Snedden			
Mr. Armstrong	Mr. Davis	Mr. Giles	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Turner			
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Killen	Mr. Wentworth			
Mr. Bate	Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Whittorn			
Mr. Bosman	Mr. Failes	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Wilson			
Mr. Bowen	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon				
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Holten	Mr. Maisey				
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:			
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman				
Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pettitt	Mr. Aston			
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Shaw	Mr. Turnbull			

And so it was negatived.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Ordered—That the order for the consideration of the proposed expenditures agreed to by the committee on the 2nd September, 1965, be varied to enable the committee to consider the proposed expenditures for the Department of Immigration and the Department of Labour and National Service separately. Proposed expenditure—Department of Immigration, £19,756,000—debated.

Mr. Cameron rising to address the committee-

Closure.—Mr. Kelly moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The committee divided (the Temporary Chairman, Mr. Haworth, in the Chair)-

		Ayes, 56.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Jack	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Allan	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Jess	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Turner
Mr. Armstrong	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Giles	Mr. Killen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bosman	Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	•
Mr. Bowen	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten	Mr. Maisey	
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pettitt	Mr. Aston
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Shaw	Mr. Turnbull
•		Noes, 42.		
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Jones	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Gray	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Benson	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Webb
Mr. Birrell	Mr. Cross	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harding	Mr. Nicholls	
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Devine	Mr. Hayden	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Collard	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Connor	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed. Proposed expenditure—Department of Labour and National Service, £3,579,000—debated. Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Failes reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes past 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 26th October, 1965—

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Treaty-Text of Trade Agreement between Australia and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, signed 15th October, 1965.

Pursuant to statute-

Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Berthing of a vessel.

Lands Acquisition Act-Land acquired for civil aviation purposes-The Bluff, South Australia.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1965—

No. 36—Special Purposes Leases.

No. 37—Alice Springs Town Management (No. 2).

Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinance—1965—No. 43—Land Titles Commission.

Public Service Act—Appointment—Attorney-General's Department—K. D. Ross.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1965—

No. 196—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.

No. 197—Australian Nursing Federation Employees' Section.

No. 198—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.

No. 199-Federated Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia and others.

No. 200—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service. No. 201—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.

No. 202—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.

Nos. 203 and 204—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.

Weights and Measures (National Standards) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 147.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Chipp, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Davies, Mr. Falkinder*, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr. King, Mr. Lucock, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Sexton*, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Uren*.

. On leave.

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