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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 159.

THURSDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1966.

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.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Giles presented a petition from certain electors of the Division of Angas praying that immediate steps be taken to provide satisfactory television reception in the Upper Murray and Murray-Mallee areas of South Australia.
Petition received and read.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
4. REMOVAL OF DOCUMENT FROM MEMBER'S ROOM—STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. Luchetti, by leave, made a statement informing the House that a report on Beef Road Development in Northern Australia which he had borrowed from the Parliamentary Library had been removed from his room in Parliament House during the previous evening. He had not been able to ascertain who had removed the report. He considered that its removal was an intrusion upon the rights of Members and he asked that action be taken to clear up the matter so that those responsible could be called to answer for their conduct.
Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development), by leave, also made a statement in connexion with the matter, with particular regard to the confidential nature of the report.
5. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—
27th April, 1966—Message—
No. 281—Aliens 1966.
No. 282—Migration 1966.
6. GRIEVANCE DEBATE.—Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 106, the order of the day having been read—
Question proposed—That grievances be noted.
Debate ensued.
Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.
7. INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT (EXTENSION) BILL 1966.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade and Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to approve the Signature and Acceptance by Australia of a Protocol for the further Extension of the Period of Operation of the International Wheat Agreement, 1962.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. McEwen 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.
8. FOREIGN AFFAIRS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT, 28TH APRIL, 1966—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement on foreign affairs with particular reference to his recent visit overseas, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—
Foreign Affairs—Ministerial statement, 28th April, 1966—
and moved, That the House take note of the paper.
Debate adjourned (Mr. A. D. Fraser), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
9. CASES OF GUNNER O'NEILL, GUNNER WILLEY AND MAJOR TEDDER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT, 28TH APRIL, 1966—PAPER NOTED.—Mr. J. M. Fraser (Minister for the Army), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the case of Gunner O'Neill and the related cases of Gunner Willey and Major Tedder which had arisen in Vietnam, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—
Cases of Gunner O'Neill, Gunner Willey and Major Tedder—Ministerial statement, 28th April, 1966—
and moved, That the House take note of the paper.

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Mr. Galvin moved, as an amendment, That all words after " That " be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—" in the opinion of this House it would be in the interests of the Army and of Gunner O'Neill that he be released from detention forthwith ".

Debate continued.

Several Members 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, 59.

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| Mr. Allan | Mr. Chipp | Mr. Fox | Mr. L. H. Irwin | Mr. Opperman |
| Mr. Anthony | Mr. Cleaver | Mr. J. M. Fraser | Mr. Jack | Mr. Peacock |
| Mr. Barnes | Mr. Cockle | Mr. Freeth | Mr. Jess | Mr. Pettitt |
| Mr. Bate | Sir J. Cramer | Mr. Gibson | Mr. Kelly | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Bosman | Mr. Drury | Mr. Giles | Sir W. Kent Hughes | Mr. Swartz |
| Mr. Bowen | Mr. England | Mr. Hallett | Mr. Killen | Mr. Turner |
| Mr. Bridges-Maxwell | Mr. G. D. Erwin | Mr. Hasluck | Mr. King | Mr. Wentworth |
| Mr. Brimblecombe | Mr. Failes | Mr. Haworth | Mr. Lucock | Mr. Whittorn |
| Mr. Buchanan | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Holten | Mr. Mackinnon | Sir K. Wilson |
| Mr. Bury | Mr. Fairhall | Mr. Howson | Mr. Maisey | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr. K. M. K. Cairns | Mr. Falkinder | Mr. Hughes | Mr. McMahon | Mr. Aston |
| Mr. Chaney | Mr. Forbes | Mr. Hulme | Mr. Nixon | Mr. Turnbull |

NOES, 41.

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| Mr. Beazley | Mr. Courtney | Mr. Gray | Mr. Mortimer | Mr. Uren |
| Mr. Benson | Mr. Crean | Mr. Griffiths | Mr. Nicholls | Mr. Webb |
| Mr. Birrell | Mr. Cross | Mr. Hansen | Mr. O'Connor | Mr. Whitlam |
| Mr. Bryant | Mr. Curtin | Mr. Hayden | Mr. Patterson | |
| Mr. J. F. Cairns | Mr. Daly | Mr. Johnson | Mr. Peters | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr. Clark | Mr. Davies | Mr. Jones | Mr. Pollard | |
| Mr. Collard | Mr. Devine | Mr. Luchetti | Mr. Reynolds | |
| Mr. Connor | Mr. A. D. Fraser | Mr. McIvor | Mr. Riordan | Mr. Coutts |
| Mr. Cope | Mr. Galvin | Mr. Minogue | Mr. Stewart | Mr. Duthie |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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| Mr. Bate | Sir J. Cramer | Mr. Gibson | Mr. Kelly | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Bosman | Mr. Drury | Mr. Giles | Sir W. Kent Hughes | Mr. Swartz |
| Mr. Bowen | Mr. England | Mr. Hallett | Mr. Killen | Mr. Turner |
| Mr. Bridges-Maxwell | Mr. G. D. Erwin | Mr. Hasluck | Mr. King | Mr. Wentworth |
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the House take note of the paper—put and passed.

10. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Mr. J. M. Fraser (Minister for the Army) moved, by leave, That the following order of the day, government business, be discharged:—

12. Case of Gunner O'Neill—Ministerial Statement—Motion to take note of Paper—Resumption of debate upon the motion, That the House take note of the paper.

Question—put and passed.

11. CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 5 TO 7 (1966).—Mr. Howson (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 5, 6 and 7 (1966).

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

12. PAPERS.—The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Tariff Board—Report—Collapsible sun lounges (Dumping and Subsidies Act).

Ordered to be printed.

The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute—

Tariff Board Act—Special Advisory Authority—Report—Stainless steel.

Ordered to be printed.

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13. THERAPEUTIC GOODS BILL 1966.—Mr. Forbes (Minister for Health), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision for and in relation to Standards for Goods for Therapeutic Use, and for other purposes.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Forbes 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.
14. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1966.—Mr. Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act relating to Sales Tax Exemptions and Classifications.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Howson 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.
15. INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) BILL 1966.—Mr. Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax (International Agreements) Act 1953–1965* in relation to Decimal Currency.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Howson 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.
16. VINYL RESIN BOUNTY BILL 1966.—Mr. Howson (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Vinyl Resin Bounty Act 1963*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Howson 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.
17. TRACTOR BOUNTY BILL 1966.—Mr. Howson (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Tractor Bounty Act 1939–1959*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Howson 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.
18. QUARANTINE BILL 1966.—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.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr. Forbes (Minister for Health), the Bill was read a third time.
19. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—
28th April, 1966—Message No. 283—Nationality and Citizenship 1966.
20. ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK BILL 1966.—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. Hughes), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
21. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Howson (Minister for Air) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put 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.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 28th April, 1966, pursuant to statute—

- Customs Tariff—Order—Less developed countries No. 1.
Lands Acquisition Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, No. 82.
National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, No. 80.
Native Members of the Forces Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, No. 83.
Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, No. 81.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Costa, Mr. Davis, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Harding, Mr. Holt, Mr. James, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Stokes.

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