THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 163.

TUESDAY, 10TH MAY, 1966.

- 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. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 3. Paper.—The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute—Wheat Research Act—Eighth Annual Report, for 1965.
- 4. AIRCRAFT NOISE PROBLEM NEAR AIRPORTS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—Mr. Swartz (Minister for Civil Aviation), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the aircraft noise problem near airports, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the fcllowing paper:—

Aircraft Noise Problem near Airports-Ministerial statement, 10th May, 1966-

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

Debate ensued.

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

5. Message from the Governor-General—Assent to Bills.—A message from His Excellency the Covernor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—

6th May, 1966—Message No. 181—

Aliens 1966.

Migration 1966.

Nationality and Citizenship 1966.

6. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ORD RIVER IRRIGATION PROJECT.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Collard had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Government to proceed with the next stage of the Ord River Irrigation Project as requested by the Western Australia Government".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr. Collard addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Mr Cleaver rising to address the House-

Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, That the business of the day be called on. Question—put and passed.

7. COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL BILL 1966.—Mr. Anthony (Minister for the Interior), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision for Voting at Parliamentary Elections by Persons under the age of Twenty-one years who are, or have been, on Special Service outside Australia as Members of the Defence Force.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Anthony 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.

- 8. Housing Agreement Bill 1966.—The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Flury (Minister representing the Minister for Housing) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Depate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the rext sitting.
- 9. Postponement of order of the day.—Ordered—That order of the day No. 2, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 3) 1965-66.—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—
 - Mr. Peters was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

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- 11. Postponement of orders of the day.—Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 4 to 6, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 12. PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO SOUTH EAST ASIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—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. Holt (Prime Minister):—That the House take note of the paper (presented on the 5th May, 1966), viz.:— Prime Minister's Visit to South East Asia—Ministerial statement, 5th May, 1966-
 - Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech.—Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, by leave, That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) speaking without limitation of time.

Question—put and passed.

Debate resumed.

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Coutts), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Swartz (Minister for Civil Aviation) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-eight 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 10th May, 1966, pursuant to statute-

Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, Nos. 84, 85.

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

Lands Acquisition Act-Land acquired for civil aviation purposes-Tweed Heads, New South

Migration Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, No. 86. Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1966—

No. 19-Fauna Protection.

No. 20-Papua and New Guinea Tourist Board.

No. 21-Veterinary Surgeons.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1966—

No. 63—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.

No. 74—Australian Builders Labourers' Federation.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1966—No. 8—Liquor.

Members Present .--All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bate, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Clark, Mr. Costa, Mr. Courtnay, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Holten, Mr. Jess, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Mortimer and Mr. Snedden.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.