THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1951.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.--Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Right Honorable D. S. Senanayake, Prime Minister of the Dominion of Ceylon, was within the precincts. distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honorable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.
- 3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth-

Tariff Board—Reports—

Linseed.

Wine Industry—Assistance.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Dairy Produce Export Control Act—Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Australian Dairy Produce Board, for year 1950-51, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for Postal purposes—

Barmera, South Australia.

East Brisbane, Queensland. Glenunga, South Australia.

Nationality and Citizenship Act—Return for year 1950-51.

Papua and New Guinea Act-Ordinances-1951.

No. 28-Legislative Council.

No. 29—Supply (No. 2) 1951-52.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Treasury—B. D. Mickle.

Works and Housing-A. Q. B. Davis, A. L. Miller, M. Murch, N. Sneath, A. H. Wand.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Regulations—1951—No. 5 (Fish Protection Ordinance).

4. Egg Export Control Bill 1951.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Anthony (Minister representing the Acting Minister for Commerce and Agriculture) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Pollard moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

- Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

 Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 5. Social Services Consolidation Bill 1951.—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. Clarey, viz.:—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide for-

(a) the operation of the Act from the first pension day in July, 1951;

(b) the payment of child endowment for the first child at the rate of ten shillings per week;

(c) a substantial increase in unemployment and sickness benefits; and (d) further amelioration of the means test "—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Graham moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed. Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day. F.2180.

6. RECENT EVENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST—PROPOSAL FOR ALLIED COMMAND—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT— MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement regarding recent events in Iran and Egypt and informed the House of a proposal for the establishment of an Allied Middle East Command transmitted to the Egyptian Government. Mr. Menzies then, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth, laid upon the Table the following Papers:

Text of proposal for the establishment of an Allied Middle East Command transmitted to the

Egyptian Government on 13th October, 1951, and

Recent Events in the Middle East-Ministerial Statement, 16th October, 1951and moved, That the Ministerial Statement be printed.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered-That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. SOCIAL SERVICES CONSOLIDATION BILL 1951.—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. Clarey, viz.:—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide for-

(a) the operation of the Act from the first pension day in July, 1951;

(b) the payment of child endowment for the first child at the rate of ten shillings per week;

(c) a substantial increase in unemployment and sickness benefits; and

(d) further amelioration of the means test "-

Debate resumed.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

		AYES, 56.		•
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Erie J.	Mr. Luck	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Harrison	Mr. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hughes	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Tellers:
Mr. Brown	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Roberton	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
Noes, 45.				
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	${\it Tellers}$:
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Sheehan

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-

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

		AYES, 57.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Anthony Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Berry Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drummond Mr. Drury Mr. Eggins Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis	Mr. Graham Mr. Grayden Mr. Eric J. Harrison Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Hughes Mr. Hulme Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie Mr. Luck Mr. McBride Mr. McDonald Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Osborne Mr. Pearce Mr. Roberton Mr. Ryan	Mr. Timson Mr. Townley Mr. Treloar Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Davidson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
		Noes, 46.		
Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. C. R. Cameron Mr. Chambers	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Davies Mr. Drakeford Mr. Duthie Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Fitzgerald Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths Mr. E. James Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon	Mr. Lawson Mr. Luchetti Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mulcahy Mr. O'Connor Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan	Mr. Rosevear Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Tellers: Mr. Daly Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

16th October, 1951.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed.—Bill read a second time. Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and debated.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)-

•		Ayes, 53.		
Mr. Anthony Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Berry Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Casey	Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drummond Mr. Eggins Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Freeth	Mr. Graham Mr. Grayden Mr. Erie J. Harrison Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Hulme Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie Mr. Luck Mr. McBride Mr. McColm Mr. McDonald Mr. McLeay Mr. Pearce Mr. Roberton Mr. Ryan Mr. Swartz	Mr. Timson Mr. Townley Mr. Treloar Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett
Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Chambers Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Davies Mr. Fitzgerald	Noes, 40. Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths Mr. E. James Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon	Mr. Luchetti Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Russell	Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Tellers: Mr. Daly Mr. Fuller

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question-That the Bill be agreed to-was put accordingly, and passed.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Townley (Minister for Social Services), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

8. Adjournment.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Ward addressing the House-

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 54.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden	Mr. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Harrison	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Wight
Mr. Berry	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Roberton	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Jack	Mr. Ryan	Tellers:
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Timson	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Townley	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Treloar	Mr. Gullett
Nors, 38.				
Mr. Andrews	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Russell
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Keon	Mr. Thompson
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Clark	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Crean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Minogue	Tellers:
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Cremean	Harrison	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Fuller
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question-That the House do now adjourn-was put accordingly, and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Failes, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Mullens and Mr. Opperman.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.