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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1957.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.-Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) informed the House that Mr. Menzies would be absent from Australia from the 10th to the 28th April, and Mr. D. A. Cameron from the 14th April to the 15th June, and that, during their absence, he would act as Prime Minister, and Mr. Townley (Minister for Immigration) would act as Minister for Health and would represent the Minister for Repatriation in this House.
- 3. PAPERS-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-
 - National Library Inquiry Committee-Report, together with appendices.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Air Navigation Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1957, No. 12.

Distillation Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1957, No. 14.

Lands Acquisition Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1957, No. 11.

Patents Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1957, No. 10.

Public Accounts Committee Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1957, No. 8.

Public Service Act-

Appointments-Repatriation Department-G. G. Henn, T. G. Henry.

Public Service Board—Thirty-second Report on the Public Service, for year 1955-56. Public Works Committee Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1957, No. 9.

Quarantine Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1957, No. 13.

Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1955-56. Mr. Townley (Minister for Immigration), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in reference to the Public Service.

- 4. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY-JOINT COMMITTEE.-Mr. Speaker informed the House of the following appointments of Senators and Members as members of the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory
 - Senators McCallum, Vincent and Wood had been appointed by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, and Senators Nicholls and Ryan by the Leader of the Opposition in that House. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Howse had been appointed by the Prime Minister, and Mr. Cope and Mr. J. R. Fraser by the Leader of the Opposition in this House.
- 5. LOAN (INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT) BILL 1957.—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.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)-

		Ayes, 62.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	Tellers:
Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Roberton	
Mr. D. A. Camero	n Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Casey	Mr. Forbes	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

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		Noes, 29.		
Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Mclvor	Mr. Thomps
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Coutts	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Peters	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	. Tellers:
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.-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 agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Townley (Minister for Immigration), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

Suspension of Sitting .- At one minute past five o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Resumption of Sitting .- At eight o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

6. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.--Mr. Speaker reported that, accompanied by honorable Members he had waited that day upon His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House, and had presented to him the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech on the Opening of the Second Session of the Twenty-second Parliament, agreed to by the House on the 28th March, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :---

MR. SPEAKER,

Thank you for your Address in Reply which you have just presented to me.

It will afford me much pleasure to convey to Her Most Gracious Majesty The Queen, the Message of Loyalty from the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, to which the Address gives expression.

- 7. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY-JOINT COMMITTEE.-Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Leader of the Opposition had appointed Mr. Coutts to be a member of the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory in place of Mr. Cope.
- 8. STATES GRANTS (UNIVERSITIES) BILL 1957 .- 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. 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 agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9. LIGHTHOUSES BILL 1957.—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-

Question-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 agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

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

Thompson Ward Webb

10. BEER EXCISE BILL 1957.—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.

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 agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-eight minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Brand, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Chambers*, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cope, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. A. D. Fraser*, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Jack*, Mr. H. V. Johnson*, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. McColm, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Minogue, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Pearce and Mr. Watkins.

*On leave.

A. A. TREGEAR, Clerk of the House of Representatives.