

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## No. 3.

TUESDAY, 11TH MARCH, 1958.

1. The House met at twenty-two minutes to three o'clock p.m.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Defence Transition (Residual Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (13).
  - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for postal purposes—Bourke, New South Wales.
  - Yarramolong, New South Wales.
  - Meat Export Control Act—Australian Meat Board—Twenty-second Annual Report; for year 1956–57, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
  - Papua and New Guinea Act—
    - Ordinances—1957—
      - No. 64—Superannuation (Papua and New Guinea) (No. 3).
      - No. 65—Land (Papua).
      - No. 66—Land (New Guinea).
      - No. 67—Corrective Institutions.
      - No. 68—Police Offences (Papua).
      - No. 69—Police Offences (New Guinea).
      - No. 70—Mining (Papua) (No. 2).
      - No. 71—Mining (New Guinea) (No. 2).
      - No. 72—Miners' Homestead Leases Ordinance (New Guinea) Repeal.
      - No. 73—Special Fire Brigades.
      - No. 74—Fire Brigades.
    - Superannuation (Papua and New Guinea) Ordinance—Superannuation Board—Sixth Annual Report, for year 1956–57.
  - Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of National Development—B. K. Epps.
  - Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1958—
    - No. 4—Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia.
    - No. 5—Postal Overseers' Union of Australia.
    - No. 6—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
    - No. 7—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association.
    - Nos. 8 and 9—Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemem.
    - No. 10—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
    - No. 11—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
  - Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1958—No. 3—Fluoroscopes.
3. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 17, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

*The Parliament of the Commonwealth.*

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 17, I do hereby nominate—

George James Bowden, Esquire,  
Joseph James Clark, Esquire,  
Charles William Jackson Falkinder, Esquire,  
Gordon Freeth, Esquire,  
William Robert Lawrence, Esquire,  
Philip Ernest Lucock, Esquire,  
The Honorable Norman John Oswald Makin,  
Edward William Peters, Esquire,  
Thomas Frank Timson, Esquire, and  
Charles Harry Webb, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this eleventh day of March, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight.

J. MCLEAY,  
Speaker.

11th March, 1958.

4. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—*And on the Amendment moved by Mr. Evatt, viz.:*—That the following words be added to the Address:—“ But we desire to inform Your Excellency that Your advisers have failed to realize the urgent necessity of putting into effect positive policies and measures aimed at—

- (a) the prevention of unemployment and the securing of full employment;
- (b) the building of sufficient homes;
- (c) an immediate and substantial reduction in the migrant intake until the serious deficiencies present in the existing programme are removed;
- (d) the provision by the Commonwealth to State Governments and local governing authorities of funds necessary for the building of public works and housing, roads, schools, hospitals and services essential to public health; and
- (e) effective defence administration and organization.”—

Debate resumed.

*Suspension of Standing Orders.*—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) speaking for a period not exceeding 45 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Graham), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Robertson (Minister for Social Services) 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.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Casey, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Galvin, Mr. James, Mr. Timson and Mr. Watkins.

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