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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1958.

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.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence of Mr. Casey, the Department of External Affairs would be administered by Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence) and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization by Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service).
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Audit Act—Finance—Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year 1957-58, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.
 - Ordered to be printed.
 - The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Customs Tariff—Order—Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 4.
 - Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Order—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 2.
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority purposes—Adaminaby, New South Wales.
 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 - Health—L. F. Dodson.
 - National Development—J. R. Beevers.
 - Repatriation—P. J. Webster.
 - Works—J. Kepski, S. L. Poole.
 - Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1958—
 - No. 110—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
 - No. 111—Amalgamated Engineering Union.
 - No. 112—North Australian Workers' Union.
 - No. 113—Association of Officers of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization.
 - No. 114—Association of Assistants of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization.
 - Trade Commissioners Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 52.
4. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Thompson (Vice-Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts—
 - Fortieth Report, together with Minutes of Evidence—The Finance Statement.
 - Ordered—That the Report be printed.
5. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—EXTENDED TIME FOR SPEECHES.—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) and Mr. Calwell each speaking on the Budget for a period not exceeding one hour.
 - Question—put and passed.

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6. SUPPLY—BUDGET DEBATE.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

General debate resumed on the question, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division No. 1—Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances £27,450

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), viz.:—
That the first item be reduced by £1.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TRADE MARKS BILL 1958.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 41.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Trade Marks Act 1955’* ”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 19th August, 1958.

Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Cramer moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

8. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1958—No. 6—Child Welfare Agreement.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes past 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 Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Casey, Mr. Crean, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Erwin, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. James, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Watkins.

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