THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 52.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1959.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Bowden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

United Nations-General Assembly-Thirteenth Session, New York, 16th September to 13th December, 1958—Summary Report of Australian Delegation.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Australian Canned Fruits Board—Thirty-third Annual Report, for year 1958-59.

Fishing Industry Act—Third Annual Report, for year 1958-59.

Nationality and Citizenship Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1959, No. 78.

Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1959—

No. 9—Fauna Conservation and Control.

No. 23—Customs (Copra Industry Stabilization). No. 24—Customs (Export) Tariffs Repeal. No. 25—Customs Tariff.

No. 26—Income Tax. No. 27—Income Tax (Rates). Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

Primary Industry-J. R. Thornton, K. H. O. Vanderlaan.

Repatriation—B. S. Stephen. Treasury—P. A. Simpson.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1959—

No. 67—Australian Journalists' Association.

No. 68—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

No. 69—Printing Industry Employees' Union of Australia; and Amalgamated Printing Trades Employees' Union of Australia.

No. 70—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.

- Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Regulations-1959-No. 12 (Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance).
- 3. Leave of Absence to Member.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, That leave of absence for one month be given to the Treasurer (Mr. Holt) on the ground of public business overseas. Question—put and passed.
- 4. Leave of Absence to Member.—Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That leave of absence for two months be given to the honorable Member for Scullin (Mr. Peters) on the ground of ill health. Question—put and passed.

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5. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1959-60.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—" Department of Immigration, £2,039,000"—

Vote—" Department of Labour and National Service, £2,336,000"—

Votes further debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At five o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Wight) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired-

Ouestion—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.

Vote-" Department of National Development, £1,931,000 "-

Vote—" Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, £6,772,000 "—Vote—" Australian Atomic Energy Commission, £2,186,000 "—

considered together.

Votes debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At eleven o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Chaney) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired-

Ouestion-That the Votes be agreed to-put and passed.

Defence Services-

Vote-" Department of Defence, £1,258,000 "-

Vote-" Department of the Navy, £42,612,000 "-

Vote-" Department of the Army, £65,554,000"-

Vote—" Department of Air, £60,161,000"-

Vote-" Department of Supply, £20,986,000 "-

Vote-" Other Services, £2,229,000 "-

considered together.

Votes debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Timson reported accordingly. Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at ten 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. Bland, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Casey*, Mr. Chresby, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Drury, Mr. Failes*, Mr. Haworth*, Mr. Holt*, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Killen, Mr. McLeay, Mr. Nelson*, Sir Earle Page*, Mr. Peters*, Mr. Riordan*, Mr. Sexton* and Mr. Swartz.

* On leave.

N. J. PARKES, Clerk-Assistant, House of Representatives.