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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 55.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1959.

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, owing to illness, of Senator Spooner (Minister for National Development) and Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General), he would represent the Attorney-General and the Minister for National Development would be represented by Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service).
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Audit Act—Finance—Supplementary Report by the Auditor-General upon other accounts, for year 1958–59.
  - Ordered to be printed.
  - The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
    - Australian Coastal Shipping Commission Act—Australian Coastal Shipping Commission—Third Annual Report and financial statements, for year 1958–59.
    - Coal Industry Act—Joint Coal Board—Twelfth Annual Report and financial accounts, accompanied by the report of the Auditor-General of the Commonwealth, for year 1958–59.
    - Commonwealth Bank Act—Appointment Certificate—A. E. Osborn.
    - Customs Tariff—Orders—Customs (Intermediate Tariff) Nos. 13, 14.
    - Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Orders—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.
    - Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act—Export Payments Insurance Corporation—Third Annual Report and financial accounts, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1958–59.
    - Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1959—No. 6—Poisons and Dangerous Substances.
    - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
      - Primary Industry—J. H. Owens, D. A. Watt.
      - Supply—D. G. Brooks, D. J. Dunlop, D. J. Elias, A. E. Hulbert, S. Jaworski, J. P. Kipluks, J. R. Le Strange, R. E. S. Polkinghorne, B. S. Smith, J. B. M. Stradling, G. R. Sutherland.
      - Works—W. G. Spear.
    - Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1959—
      - No. 74—Australian Workers' Union.
      - No. 75—Commonwealth Works Supervisors' Association.
    - Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Regulations—1959—No. 13 (Building and Services Ordinance).
4. MONASH UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENT—REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPERS.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
  - Monash University Development—
    - Report of Australian Universities Commission.
    - Letter dated the 12th October, 1959, from the Prime Minister to the Premier of Victoria.
  - Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the Papers be printed.
  - Debate adjourned (Mr. Evatt—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That leave of absence for one month be given to the honorable Member for Adelaide (Mr. Sexton), on the ground of ill health. Question—put and passed.

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6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—LOAN (HOUSING) BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,  
Governor-General.

Message No. 40.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of Moneys for the purposes of Housing.

Canberra, 6th October, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of Moneys for the purposes of Housing.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Mr. Holt moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Mr. McMahon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Holt, and read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

7. SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY RESEARCH BILL 1959.—Mr. D. A. Cameron (Acting Minister in charge of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Science and Industry Research Act 1949*.

Question—put and passed.

Bill brought up, and read a first time.

Mr. Cameron moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

8. LOAN (WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT) BILL 1959.—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.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve 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 Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Casey\*, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Cope, Mr. Courtney, Mr. Failes\*, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Haworth\*, Mr. Howse, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Nelson\*, Sir Earle Page\*, Mr. Peters\*, Mr. Riordan\*, Mr. Sexton\* and Mr. Swartz.

\* On leave.

A. G. TURNER,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.