THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 24TH MARCH, 1960.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Lands Acquisition Act-Land, &c., acquired for postal purposes-

Forest Hill, New South Wales.

Gundillawa, New South Wales.

Lower Tarcutta, New South Wales.

Niemur, New South Wales.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

Labour and National Service—K. M. Sullivan.

Territories-M. J. Casey.

- 3. Australian National University Bill 1960.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Australian National University. Question—put and passed.
- 4. MEAT EXPORT CONTROL BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Meat Export Control Act* 1935-1953, and for other purposes.

 Question—put and passed.
- 5. CATTLE AND BEEF RESEARCH BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to establish a Cattle and Beef Research Trust Account, and for purposes connected therewith.

 Question—put and passed.
- 6. CATTLE SLAUGHTER LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Collection of Levy under the Cattle Slaughter Levy Act 1960.

 Question—put and passed.
- 7. SUPPLY ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 291, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—

Question proposed—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

- It being fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 291.
- Question—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and negatived.
- Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 8. Australian National University Bill 1960.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act relating to the Australian National University". Bill read a first time.
 - Mr. Menzies moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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9. MEAT EXPORT CONTROL BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Meat Export Control Act 1935-1953', and for other purposes".

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Adermann 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.

10. CATTLE AND BEEF RESEARCH BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to establish a Cattle and Beef Research Trust Account, and for purposes connected therewith".
Bill read a first time.

Mr. Adermann 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.

11. Ways and Means—Cattle Slaughter Levy.—The Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Ways and Means—

Question—That the Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved-

1. That, in this Resolution, unless the contrary intention appears—

" abattoir " include any place where cattle are slaughtered;

- "calf" mean a bovine animal the dressed weight of the carcase of which does not exceed—
 (a) in the case of a carcase having the skin removed—two hundred pounds; and
 - (b) in the case of a carcase having the skin on—two hundred and twenty pounds;

"cattle" mean bovine animals, but do not include a calf;

"levy" mean levy imposed by the Act;

- "the Act" mean the Act passed to give effect to this Resolution.
- 2.—(1.) That, on and after the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and sixty, a levy be imposed upon the slaughter of cattle for human consumption.
- (2.) That, for the purposes of this paragraph, an animal be not taken to have been slaughtered for human consumption if its carcase cannot lawfully be used for human consumption by reason of its having been condemned or rejected by an inspector in pursuance of a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory of the Commonwealth.
- 3. That the rate of the levy be such amount, not exceeding Two shillings, per head of cattle slaughtered as is prescribed from time to time by regulations under the Act.
- 4. That levy upon the slaughter of any cattle be payable by the person who owns the cattle at the time when the slaughter takes place.
- 5. That, where the number of cattle slaughtered for human consumption in a month of the year at the one abattoir does not exceed ten, or such greater number as is prescribed from time to time by regulations under the Act, levy be not payable upon the slaughter of those cattle.
- 6.—(1.) That the Governor-General be empowered to make regulations, not inconsistent with the Act, prescribing all matters which by the Act are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to the Act.
- (2.) That, before making regulations prescribing an amount for the purposes of the provision of the Act that gives effect to paragraph 3 of this Resolution, or a number of cattle for the purposes of the provision of the Act that gives effect to paragraph 5 of this Resolution, the Governor-General be required to take into consideration any recommendations with respect to the amount or number made to the Minister of State administering the Act by the Australian Cattle and Beef Research Committee proposed to be constituted by the Cattle and Beef Research Bill 1960.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Adermann 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. Adermann, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House. Ordered—That Mr. Adermann and Sir Garfield Barwick do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

12. CATTLE SLAUGHTER LEVY BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to impose a Levy upon the Slaughter of Beef Cattle". Bill read a first time.

Mr. Adermann moved, 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.

13. CATTLE SLAUGHTER LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1960.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act relating to the Collection of Levy under the 'Cattle Slaughter Levy Act 1960'".

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Adermann 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.

- 14. Postponement of Business.—Ordered—That the intervening business be postponed until after Notice of Motion No. 1, General Business.
- 15. Wool Sales—Restrictive Trade Practices.—Mr. Pollard moved, pursuant to notice, That this House registers its strongest disapproval of the Government's refusal to protect wool-growers against "pies" or rings which operate to the detriment of wool-growers and its continuing failure after ten years in office to protect the community generally from the restrictive practices of which such "pies" and rings are typical.

Debate ensued.

Ouestion-put.

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

Ayes, 35.						
Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtnay Mr. Crean Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Whitlam		
Mr. Cairns Mr. Calwell Mr. Clark	Mr. Daly Mr. Davies Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Jones Mr. Kearney Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson	Tellers:		
Mr. Clay Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Uren Mr. Ward	Mr. Duthie Mr. Stewart		
Noes, 60.						
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anderson Mr. Anthony Mr. Aston Mr. Bandidt Mr. Barnes Sir G. Barwick	Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Cash Mr. Chaney Mr. Chresby Mr. Cleaver Mr. Cramer Mr. Davidson Mr. Davis	Mr. Forbes Mr. J. M. Fraser Mr. Freeth Mr. Hasluck Mr. Holt Mr. Holten Mr. Howse Mr. Howson	Mr. King Mr. Lindsay Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McMahon Mr. Menzies	Mr. Timson Mr. Townley Mr. Turner Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson		
Mr. Bate Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Buchanan Mr. Bury	Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kelly Sir W. Kent Hughes Mr. Killen	Mr. Murray Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Mr. Roberton Mr. Swartz	Tellers: Mr. Pearce Mr. Turnbull		

And so it was negatived.

16. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. McMahon moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

		Ayes, 56.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anderson Mr. Anthony Mr. Aston Mr. Bandidt Mr. Barnes Sir G. Barwick Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Buchanan Mr. Bury	Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Cash Mr. Chaney Mr. Chresby Mr. Cleaver Mr. Cramer Mr. Davidson Mr. Davis Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Falkinder Mr. Forbes Mr. J. M. Fraser Mr. Freeth Mr. Hasluck Mr. Holt Mr. Holten Mr. Howse Mr. Howson Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kelly	Sir W. Kent Hughes Mr. Killen Mr. King Mr. Lindsay Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McMahon Mr. Murray Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Mr. Roberton	Mr. Swartz Mr. Townley Mr. Turner Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Pearce Mr. Turnbull
		Noes, 24.		
Mr. Bryant Mr. Cairns Mr. Clay Mr. Cope Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Curtin Mr. Daly Mr. Davies Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Haylen Mr. Johnson Mr. Jones Mr. Kearney Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Minogue Mr. O'Connor Mr. Reynolds Mr. Riordan Mr. Uren	Mr. Ward Mr. Whitlam Tellers: Mr. Duthie Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock two o'clock p.m.	ock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-pas
MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time Mr. Costa, Mr. Drummond*, Mr. Erwin, Mr. Fox, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Stokes.	, ,
• On leave	.
	A. G. TURNER,
	Clerk of the House of Representatives.