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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 51.

TUESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1960.

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. NATIONAL LIBRARY—INTERIM COUNCIL—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the appointment of the Interim Council of the National Library of Australia.
Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement regarding the matter.
3. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, CANBERRA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the letting of the contract for the construction of the new Government Printing Office at Canberra.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Banks Act—Commonwealth Banking Corporation, Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia, Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia, Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia—Reports and financial statements for year 1959–60; together with Auditor-General's reports thereon.
The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Australian Wool Bureau—Financial statements for year 1959–60; together with Auditor-General's reports thereon.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for defence purposes—Mackay (Mt. Vince), Queensland.
Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 75.
Public Service Act—
Appointments—Department—
National Development—P. R. Evans, J. Ward.
Postmaster-General—R. J. Perkins.
Trade—A. M. Maude.
Regulations—Statutory Rules 1960, No. 73.
5. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Davis (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts :—
Forty-ninth Report—Form of the Estimates: Miscellaneous Services.
Ordered to be printed.
6. AIR NAVIGATION (CHARGES) BILL 1960.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—
Mr. Townley (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Cairns), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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7. CUSTOMS BILL (No. 2) 1960.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) 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.

8. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1960-61.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Defence Services—

Vote—" Department of Defence, £1,342,000 "—

Vote—" Department of the Navy, £44,716,000 "—

Vote—" Department of the Army, £65,639,000 "—

Vote—" Department of Air, £63,278,000 "—

Vote—" Department of Supply, £21,221,000 "—

Vote—" Other Services, £1,957,000 "—

Votes together debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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

And then the House, at twenty 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. Anthony, Mr. Barnard, Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Cope*, Mr. Costa*, Mr. Holt, Mr. Lawson*, Mr. McColm, Mr. McIvor, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Russell, Mr. Stewart*, Mr. Timson, Mr. Turner, Mr. Wentworth and Mr. Wheeler.

* On leave.

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