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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 60.

THURSDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1962.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Copies of letters dated 17th September and 29th October, 1962, addressed to Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) from Sir Leslie Melville (Chairman of the Tariff Board) concerning his wish to retire from the Tariff Board.

Treaty—Text of the Long Term Arrangements for International Trade in Cotton Textiles drawn up by the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade at Geneva, 9th February, 1962.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1962, No. 101.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1962—

No. 18 (Mining Ordinance).

No. 19 (Darwin Town Area Leases Ordinance).

No. 20 (Crown Lands Ordinance).

Northern Territory Representation Act, Northern Territory (Administration) Act and Commonwealth Electoral Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1962, No. 100.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1962, No. 99.

Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Labour and National Service—J. P. Bourke.

4. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 27th November, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Question—put and passed.

5. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—TRADE UNION MEMBERSHIP.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Ward had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The urgent need for action on a national scale to prohibit the exercise of pressure by any body, religious or otherwise, to compel its members to resign from trade unions, or to prevent them from joining trade unions, and to bring about a satisfactory and early conclusion to the dispute at the Commonwealth Steel Pty. Ltd. works in Newcastle where the Moulders' Union are at present engaged in fighting to protect their organization against such tactics by the Exclusive Order of Brethren".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr. Ward addressing the House—

Point of Order.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) raised a Point of Order that as the dispute was still before the Court, the latter part of the matter submitted was *sub judice* and discussion of this part would be out of order.

Other honorable Members addressed themselves to the Point of Order.

Speaker's Ruling.—Mr. Speaker upheld the Point of Order.

Dissent from Ruling.—Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling, moved, That the Ruling be dissented from.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

15th November, 1962.

The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 54.

Mr. Armitage	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Benson	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Uren
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Ward
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Webb
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Comber	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie

NOES, 55.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Fox	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Allan	Mr. Dean	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Downer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. England	Mr. Holten	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson-	Mr. McNeill	
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jess	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

The House proceeding to discuss the matter with the latter part omitted—

Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Ward again speaking for a period not exceeding 15 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

6. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—ROAD FROM TOP SPRINGS TO WAVE HILL, NORTHERN TERRITORY.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1960*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report:—
Construction of road from Top Springs to Wave Hill.

Mr. Freeth laid on the Table a plan in connexion with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

7. CONSTRUCTION OF BEEF CATTLE ROADS IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1960*, it is expedient that the following proposed works should be carried out without having been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—
Construction of the following roads in the Northern Territory for the transport of beef cattle, namely, Barkly Highway to Anthony's Lagoon, Stuart Highway to Yuendumu, Stuart Highway to Plenty River and Stuart Highway to Top Springs to Timber Creek to Western Australian border.

Debate ensued.

question—put and passed.

8. ORDER OF THE DAY NO. 1—SUPPLY [“GRIEVANCE DAY”].—It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., Order of the Day No. 1 (“Grievance Day”—pursuant to Standing Order No. 291) was not called on, and the Committee of Supply was set down for a later hour this day.
9. LOAN BILL (NO. 2) 1962.—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.
Bill to be reported without amendment.The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Townley (Minister for Defence), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 3, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

15th November, 1962.

11. AUDIT BILL 1962.—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.

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(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—AUDIT BILL 1962.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—
DE L'ISLE, Message No. 47.
Governor-General.

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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Repayments of Amounts out of the Commonwealth Public Account.

Canberra, 8th November, 1962.

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

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(In the Committee.)

Mr. Townley (Minister for Defence) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Repayments of Amounts out of the Commonwealth Public Account.

Question—put and passed.
Resolution to be reported.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Townley, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

13. AUDIT BILL 1962.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Townley (Minister for Defence), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

14. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FOURTH REPORT.—Mr. Erwin (Chairman) brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).
The Report was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee has the honour to report that it has met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommends that the following be printed:—

Air Navigation Act—Second Annual Report by the Minister, for year 1961–62.

Documents on Cuba, 22nd–25th October, 1962.

National Library Act—Council of the National Library of Australia—Second Annual Report and financial statements, for year 1961–62.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act—Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority—Thirteenth Annual Report and financial statements, for year 1961–62.

G. D. ERWIN,
Chairman.

15th November, 1962.
Mr. Erwin moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to.
Question—put and passed.

15th November, 1962.

15. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—

15th November, 1962—*Message*—

No. 71—Appropriation 1962–63 (*without requests*).

No. 72—Appropriation (Works and Services) 1962–63.

16. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 54) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 9).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Fairhall (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 54).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1962, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that, on and after the sixteenth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

2. That in these Proposals, “Customs Tariff Proposals” mean the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates:—

2nd October, 1962;

4th October, 1962;

11th October, 1962;

25th October, 1962; and

7th November, 1962.

THE SCHEDULE.
IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION IV.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND GROCERIES.

43. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—

“ 43. Coffee, chicory and other coffee substitutes—

(A) Coffee whether or not roasted or freed of caffeine and coffee substitutes containing coffee in any proportion, not covered by sub-item (B)—

(1) Raw coffee, including such coffee which has merely been kiln dried - per lb.

(2) Other - - - - - per lb.

(B) Extracts, essences or concentrates, of coffee, or of coffee and coffee substitutes; preparations with a basis of those extracts, essences or concentrates—

(1) Dry - - - - - per lb.

(2) Other - - - - - per lb.

(C) (1) Chicory roots, fresh or dried, whole or cut, unroasted - - - - - per lb.

and, in addition, a temporary duty of per lb.

(2) Roasted chicory; roasted coffee substitutes, n.e.i.; extracts, essences or concentrates, of roasted chicory, or of roasted coffee substitutes, n.e.i. - - - - - per lb.

(1) Raw coffee, including such coffee which has merely been kiln dried - per lb.	3d.	3d.	4d.
(2) Other - - - - - per lb.	9d.	9d.	9d.
(1) Dry - - - - - per lb.	5s. 3d.	5s. 3d.	6s.
(2) Other - - - - - per lb.	9d.	9d.	9d.
(1) Chicory roots, fresh or dried, whole or cut, unroasted - - - - - per lb.	4d.	4d.	4d.
and, in addition, a temporary duty of per lb.	1½d.	1½d.	1½d.
(2) Roasted chicory; roasted coffee substitutes, n.e.i.; extracts, essences or concentrates, of roasted chicory, or of roasted coffee substitutes, n.e.i. - - - - - per lb.	7d.	7d.	7d.”

CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 9).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference)* 1933–1962, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the fourth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that, on and after the sixteenth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

15th November, 1962.

THE SCHEDULE.

Consecutive No.	Tariff Item.	Tariff Rates on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of New Zealand.
4. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following items:—		
" 4	Ex 43 (A) (2) Coffee substitutes containing coffee and chicory	8d. per lb.
	Ex 43 (A) (2) Coffee, other than raw, and coffee substitutes containing coffee but not chicory	9d. per lb.
	Ex 43 (B) (1) Extracts, essences or concentrates, of coffee and chicory, dry; preparations with a basis of those extracts, essences or concentrates, dry	5s. per lb.
	Ex 43 (B) (1) Extracts, essences or concentrates, of coffee, or of coffee and coffee substitutes other than chicory, dry; preparations with a basis of those extracts, essences or concentrates, dry	5s. 3d. per lb.
	Ex 43 (B) (2) Extracts, essences or concentrates, of coffee and chicory, other than dry; preparations with a basis of those extracts, essences or concentrates, other than dry	8d. per lb.
	Ex 43 (B) (2) Extracts, essences or concentrates, of coffee, or of coffee and coffee substitutes other than chicory, other than dry; preparations with a basis of those extracts, essences or concentrates, other than dry	9d. per lb."

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

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

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

17. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Tariff Board—Report—Coffee.

Ordered to be printed.

18. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILIZATION FUND (DISPOSAL) BILL 1962.—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.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

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

19. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILIZATION FUND (DISPOSAL) BILL 1962.—
Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

DE L'ISLE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 48.

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 provide for the Disposal of the Moneys standing to the credit of the Wheat Industry Stabilization Fund established by the *Wheat Industry Assistance Act 1938*.

Canberra, 11th October, 1962.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the Disposal of the Moneys standing to the credit of the Wheat Industry Stabilization Fund established by the *Wheat Industry Assistance Act 1938*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

15th November, 1962.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Adermann, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

20. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILIZATION FUND (DISPOSAL) BILL 1962.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

21. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Customs Tariff—Order—Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 92.
Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Order—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 114.
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Health—J. H. Ardley.
22. REPATRIATION BILL 1962.—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.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Swartz (Minister for Repatriation), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

23. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Copies of letters dated 10th, 13th, 16th and 20th February and 26th October, 1962, exchanged by Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) and Sir Leslie Melville (Chairman of the Tariff Board), concerning the operations of the Tariff Board.
24. AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL BILL 1962.—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.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for Air), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

25. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BILL 1962.—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 by Mr. Luchetti who moved, as an amendment, That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be withdrawn and re-drafted to provide for the members of the Authority to be chosen by a method which will give the consumers a majority representation and allow the members of the Australian Capital Territory Branch of the Electrical Trades Union to be represented".
Debate continued.
Debate adjourned (Mr. J. R. Fraser), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

15th November, 1962.

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

Member named.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Wills (Mr. Bryant) for defying the Chair.
Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the honorable Member for Wills be suspended from the service of the House.

Mr. Bryant having apologized, and the apology having been accepted by the Chair, the matter was not further proceeded with.

Debate continued.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Fox	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Allan	Mr. Dean	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Downer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. England	Mr. Holten	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. McNeill	
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jess	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz	

NOES, 52.

Mr. Armitage	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Makin	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Uren
Mr. Benson	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Webb
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Comber	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	

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 twenty-one minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday, the 27th November, 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. Brimblecombe, Mr. D. J. Cameron*, Mr. Davies, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. James, Mr. Leslie, Mr. McIvor and Mr. Stokes*.

* On leave.

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