THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1964.

- 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. MEMBER SWORN.—Wilfrid Selwyn Kent Hughes made and subscribed the oath required by law.
- 3. Petitions.—Mr. Howson presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that the Government remove section 127, and the words discriminating against Aborigines in section 51, of the Commonwealth Constitution, by the holding of a referendum at an early date. Petition received and read.
 - Mr. Buchanan presented a petition from certain electors of the division of McMillan praying that the Commonwealth Government make further approaches to all countries bordering the Pacific, to the United Nations, and to the French Government itself to halt all preparations for nuclear tests in the Pacific by the French Government.

 Petition received.

4. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice being asked—

Mr. Bate addressing a question to the Leader of the Opposition and being ruled out of order—
Suspension of standing orders moved.—Mr. Bate moved, That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honorable Member for Macarthur addressing a question without notice to the

Leader of the Opposition.

Debate ensued. Question—put and negatived.

Questions without notice continued.

5. Papers.—The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—

Egg Export Control Act—Australian Egg Board—Sixteenth Annual Report, for year 1962-63. River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for year 1962-63.

6. Broadcasting—Commercial Licence, Nambour—Ministerial Statement and Report—Papers noted.—Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House that a licence had been granted for a commercial broadcasting station at Nambour, Queensland. Mr. Hulme then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:—

Broadcasting—

- Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Report and recommendation to the Postmaster-General on Applications for a Licence for a Commercial Broadcasting Station at Nambour, Queensland.
- Licence for Commercial Station at Nambour, Queensland—Ministerial statement, 27th February, 1964—

and moved, That the House take note of the papers.

Question—put and passed.

7. TELEVISION—COMMERCIAL LICENCES, BRISBANE, ADELAIDE AND PERTH AREAS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS.—Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the grant of licences for a third commercial television station in the Brisbane area and in the Adelaide area and a second station in the Perth area. Mr. Hulme then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:—

Television—

- Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Report and recommendations to the Postmaster-General on Applications for a Licence for a Commercial Television Station in the Brisbane area, in the Adelaide area and in the Perth area.
- Commercial Licences, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth Areas—Ministerial statement, 27th February, 1964—

and moved, That the House take note of the papers.

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

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8. MEAT EXPORT MARKETING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND AGREEMENT WITH UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade and Industry), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House that the Government had entered into a meat marketing agreement with the Government of the United States of America and referred to Australian meat exports to the United Kingdom and other countries. Mr. McEwen then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:—

United States-Australian Meat Marketing Arrangements—Exchange of notes between representatives of the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States forming an

agreement between those Governments.

Meat Export Marketing-Ministerial statement, 27th February, 1964-

and moved, That the House take note of the papers.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9. NATIONAL LIBRARY COUNCIL.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Minister for External Affairs) moved, by leave, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *National Library Act* 1960, this House elects Mr. Bryant to be a member of the Council of the National Library of Australia and to continue as a member for a period of three years from this day.

Question-put and passed.

10. Temporary Chairmen of Committees.—The following warrant nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to standing order 18, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

House of Representatives.

Pursuant to the provisions of the standing order numbered 18, I do hereby nominate—

Wilfred John Brimblecombe, Esquire,

Joseph James Clark, Esquire,

Edward Nigel Drury, Esquire,

Laurence John Failes, Esquire,

Charles William Jackson Falkinder, Esquire,

The Honorable William Crawford Haworth,

Charles Keith Jones, Esquire,

Ewen Daniel Mackinnon, Esquire,

Edward William Peters, Esquire, and

Francis Eugene Stewart, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this twenty-seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-four.

J. McLeay, Speaker.

11. Ministers of State Bill 1964.—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.

Message from the Governor-General.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 1, dated 25th February, 1964, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Fairhall (Minister for Supply), the Bill was read a third time.

12. Public Service Bill 1964.—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.)

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 3—

Mr. Whitlam moved the following amendment:—Page 2, omit paragraph (b), insert the following paragraph:—

"(b) by adding at the end thereof the following words:—

'The Department of Housing.

The Department of Education.

The Department of Northern Development.

The Department of Science and Research.'.".

Debate ensued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. The committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—,

	AYES, 04.		
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Forbes	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Pettitt
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Fox	Mr. Jack	Mr. Roberton
Mr. Cramer	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Jess	Mr. Robinson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shaw
Mr. Dean	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Killen	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Downer	Mr. Gibson	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Drury	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Turner
Mr. England	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Maisey	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Failes	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Holten	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:
Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Nixon	Mr. Howson
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Chipp Mr. Falkinder Mr. Hulme Mr. Opperman Mr. Turnbull Noes, 40.			
Mr. Costa	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Webb
Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Nicholls	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Crean	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Cross	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Tellers:
Mr. Daly	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Devine	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Galvin	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Gray	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Stewart	
	Mr. Cockle Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Mr. England Mr. G. D. Erwin Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Costa Mr. Courtnay Mr. Crean Mr. Cross Mr. Curtin Mr. Daly Mr. Devine Mr. Galvin	Mr. Cleaver Mr. Cockle Mr. Fox Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Freeth Mr. Dean Mr. Gibbs Mr. Downer Mr. Gibson Mr. Drury Mr. Hallett Mr. England Mr. Hasluck Mr. G. D. Erwin Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall Mr. Fairhall Mr. Faklinder Mr. Hulme Noes, 40. Mr. Costa Mr. Harrison Mr. Covern Mr. Crean Mr. Hayden Mr. Corss Mr. Holten Mr. Hulme Noes, 40. Mr. Costa Mr. Hansen Mr. Courtnay Mr. Harrison Mr. Cross Mr. James Mr. Curtin Mr. Daly Mr. Jones Mr. Luchetti Mr. Galvin Mr. Mr. Mr. Luchetti Mr. Galvin	Mr. Cleaver Mr. Forbes Mr. L. H. Irwin Mr. Cockle Mr. Fox Mr. Jack Mr. Cramer Mr. J. M. Fraser Mr. Jess Mr. Davis Mr. Freeth Mr. Kelly Mr. Dean Mr. Gibbs Mr. Killen Mr. Downer Mr. Gibson Mr. King Mr. Drury Mr. Hallett Mr. Mackay Mr. England Mr. Hasluck Mr. Mackinnon Mr. G. D. Erwin Mr. Haworth Mr. Maisey Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Holten Mr. McEwen Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Holten Mr. McMahon Mr. Fairhall Mr. Hughes Mr. Nixon Mr. Faikinder Mr. Hulme Mr. Opperman Noes, 40. Mr. Costa Mr. Hansen Mr. Mortimer Mr. Courtnay Mr. Hayden Mr. O'Connor Mr. Cross Mr. James Mr. Peters Mr. Curtin Mr. Johnson Mr. Peters Mr. Devine Mr. Jones Mr. Reynolds Mr. Reynolds Mr. Devine Mr. Luchetti Mr. Riordan Mr. Riordan Mr. Galvin Mr. McIvor Mr. Sexton

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4-

Mr. Whitlam moved the following amendment:—Page 2, omit paragraph (b), insert the following paragraph:—

"(b) by adding at the end thereof the following words:—

The Secretary to the Department of Housing.

The Secretary to the Department of Education.

The Secretary to the Department of Northern Development.

The Secretary to the Department of Science and Research.'.".

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

13. Address in Reply to the Governor-General's Speech.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY-

We, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Robinson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

14. CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 1 TO 6, CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) PROPOSALS NO. 1, CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) PROPOSALS NOS. 1 TO 4 AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA PREFERENCE) PROPOSALS NO. 1.—Mr. Fairhall (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—

Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6;

Customs Tariff (Canada Preference) Proposals No. 1;

Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4; and

Customs Tariff (Papua and New Guinea Preference) Proposals No. 1.

Debate adjourned (Mr. J. F. Cairns), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15. Papers.—The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Tariff Board—Reports—

Dolls.

Electric lamps.

Emulsions and pastes of vinylidene polymers and copolymers.

Hardboard.

Iron or steel tube and pipe fittings.

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Knives with forged stainless steel blades.

Pillow cases.

Syringes and needles.

Timber.

Weedicides and insecticides.

Severally ordered to be printed.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—

Tariff Board Act-Special Advisory Authority-Reports-

Aluminium and aluminium alloy waste and scrap.

Safflower seed and soya bean oils.

Synthetic organic pigments.

Wool piece goods.

Severally ordered to be printed.

16. Address in Reply to the Governor-General's Speech.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:—

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Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Stewart), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Swartz (Minister for Repatriation) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 27th February, 1964, pursuant to statute—

Christmas Island Act—Ordinance—1963—No. 3—Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement). Customs Tariff—Order—Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 130.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Royal Australian Air Force purposes—Inverell, New South Wales.

Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Territories—W. J. Faint.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Connor, Mr. Snedden and Mr. Uren.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.