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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1964.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Lucock) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL—RETIREMENT FROM THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) referred to the retirement of Sir Winston Churchill from the House of Commons and moved—

That this House takes note of the retirement from the House of Commons of Sir Winston Spencer Churchill, K.G., O.M., C.H., after over sixty years of distinguished membership.

It takes this opportunity of recording its appreciation of his unsurpassed and splendid contribution to Parliamentary democracy, and of the inspired leadership and tenacity of purpose which he brought to the service of the free world in the period of its greatest danger.

It sends to him its gratitude, its affection, and its continuing good wishes.

Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade and Industry) and Mr. Wentworth having addressed the House in support thereof—

Question-put and passed.

- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. ADVANCE TO THE TREASURER 1963-64—STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth, presented the following paper:—

Statement for the year 1963-64 of heads of expenditure and the amounts charged thereto pursuant to section 36A of the *Audit Act* 1901-1962 (Advance to the Treasurer).

- Ordered—That the statement be taken into consideration in committee of the whole House at the next sitting.
- 5. PAPERS.—The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth—

United Nations—General Assembly—Eighteenth Regular Session, New York, 17th September to 17th December, 1963—Report of the Australian Delegation.

- The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute— Defence Act—Royal Military College—Report for year ended 31st January, 1964.
- 6. PARLIAMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES TRUST.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, by leave, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act* 1948–1959, Mr. Howson be discharged as a trustee serving on the Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Trust and that Mr. Aston be appointed a trustee to serve in his place.

Question-put and passed.

7. STAGE TWO, LAND RESEARCH AND REGIONAL SURVEY LABORATORIES FOR C.S.I.R.O., BLACK MOUNTAIN, AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Freeth (Minister representing the Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public* Works Committee Act 1913–1960, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to this House:—Construction of Stage Two of the Land Research and Regional Survey Laboratories for the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization at Black Mountain, Australian Capital Territory.

Question-put and passed.

8. CUSTOMS TARIFF (No. 3), CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) (No. 3), CUSTOMS TARIFF (New ZEALAND PREFERENCE) (No. 3) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA PREFERENCE) (No. 2) BILLS 1964.— The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bills be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question-put and passed.-Bills together read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

(In the committee.)

Customs Tariff Bill (No. 3) 1964, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to. Customs Tariff (Canada Preference) Bill (No. 3) 1964, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to. Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Bill (No. 3) 1964, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Customs Tariff (Papua and New Guinea Preference) Bill (No. 2) 1964, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bills to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Failes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the report.

Mr. Bury moved, That the Bills be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.-Bills together read a third time.

 COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF ROADS 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.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Opperman (Minister for Immigration) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
- PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 12th August, 1964, pursuant to statute—

Air Force Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1964, No. 99.

Australian Capital Territory Representation Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1964, No. 95.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1964, No. 93.

Naval Defence Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1964, No. 98.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Costa, Mr. Courtnay, Mr. Fox, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr. King and Sir John McLeay.

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

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