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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 99.

TUESDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1965.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the brief absence abroad of Senator Henty, Senator Paltridge (Minister for Defence) would act as Minister for Civil Aviation.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. PAPERS.—The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth—
 - New Zealand-Australia Free Trade Agreement, signed 31st August, 1965.
 - The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute-
 - National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—Forty-second Annual Report, for year 1964-65.
- 5. PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA—DEVELOPMENT CREDIT INSTITUTION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—Mr. Barnes (Minister for Territories), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the setting up of a development credit institution in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea, and, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth, presented the following paper:—
 - Papua and New Guinea—Development Credit Institution—Ministerial statement, 31st August, 1965—
 - and moved, That the House take note of the paper.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 6. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Brimblecombe (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—
 - Report relating to the proposed provision of Operations and Control Tower Buildings at Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport.
 - Ordered, after debate, to be printed.
- 7. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. J. R. Fraser (Deputy-Chairman) brought up the following report from the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory:—
 - Report on the supply of residential blocks in Canberra-
 - and, by leave, made a statement in connexion with the report.
 - Ordered—That the report be printed.
- 8. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1965-66.—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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition), viz.:—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—" this House condemns the Budget because—
 - such taxation increases as it contains add further burdens to wage and salary earners whose living standards have already been eroded by price rises and the Government's active intervention against wage increases;
 - (2) such meagre social service benefits as it proposes are inadequate, belated and partial in their application; and
 - (3) the Budget fails entirely to deal with such problems as increases in imports and Australia's dependence on foreign capital.

Debate resumed.

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

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9. PAPER.-The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute-

- Dried Fruits Export Control Act-Dried Fruits Control Board-Forty-first Annual Report, for year 1964-65, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
- 10. ADJOURNMENT .- Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and passed.

- And then the House, at twenty-eight minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.
- PAPERS .- The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 31st August, 1965, pursuant to statute---

Lands Acquisition Act—Easement acquired for postal purposes—Whyalla, South Australia. Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinance—1965—No. 22—Appropriation (No. 3) 1964–65.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

National Development-I. B. Wilson.

Works—J. W. Drysdale.

Public Service Arbitration Act-Public Service Arbitrator-Determinations-1965-

No. 105-Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.

No. 109-Professional Musicians' Union of Australia.

No. 110-Postal Overseers' Union of Australia.

- No. 111-Supervising Technicians' Association, Postmaster-General's Department.
- No. 112—Operative Painters and Decorators' Union of Australia. No. 113—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 114-Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
- No. 115-Commonwealth Postmasters' Association.

Nos. 117, 118 and 119-Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan, Mr. Aston, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Chipp, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Failes, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Uren.

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

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