## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 112.

### TUESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 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. DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that eight Members of the House of Assembly for the Territory of Papua and New Guinea were present in the gallery of the House. On behalf of the House, Mr. Speaker extended to the visitors a warm welcome.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. PAPERS.—The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Tertiary Education in Australia—Report of Committee on the Future of Tertiary Education in Australia to the Australian Universities Commission (Volume III).

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—

Bankruptcy Act—Thirty-seventh Annual Report by the Attorney-General, for year 1964-65. Honey Industry Act—Australian Honey Board—Second Annual Report, for year 1964-65. Housing Loans Insurance Act—Housing Loans Insurance Corporation—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for period ended 30th June, 1965. Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Report for year 1964-65, together with Summary of Recommendations.

5. Drought Assistance—Ministerial Statement.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the provision of drought assistance to the Governments of the States of New South Wales and Queensland.

Mr. Pollard, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

Mr. Beaton asked leave to make a statement in connexion with the matter.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr. Nelson asked leave to make a statement in connexion with the matter.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Message from the Senate.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—

7th October, 1965, a.m.—Message No. 208—Stevedoring Industry 1965.

7. Messages from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bills.—Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—

1st October, 1965-Message No. 121-Social Services 1965.

6th October, 1965-Message-

No. 122-

Wheat Tax 1965.

Loan (War Service Land Settlement) 1965.

Diesel Fuel Tax (No. 1) 1965.

Diesel Fuel Tax (No. 2) 1965.

Diesel Fuel Taxation (Administration) 1965.

No. 123-

Australian Universities Commission 1965.

Repatriation 1965.

Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances 1965.

8th October, 1965-Message No. 124-Stevedoring Industry 1965.

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8. Customs Tariff Proposals No. 7 [1965].—Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 7 [1965].

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

9. PAPER.—The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute— Tariff Board Act—Special Advisory Authority—Report—Polyethylene gloves. Ordered to be printed.

10. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—NATIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. A. D. Fraser had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The need for a decision now to establish a National Conservation Authority which will in due course incorporate the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority and ensure that the skills, experience and dedication of the Snowy Mountains Authority team are retained to tackle further great developmental projects".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mr. Fraser addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

11. EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL 1965.—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. 125, dated 22nd September, 1965, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

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 the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past ten 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 12th October, 1965—

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Bankruptcy-Report of Committee appointed by the Attorney-General to review the Bankruptcy Law of the Commonwealth, dated 14th December, 1962.

Bills of Exchange—Report of Committee appointed by the Commonwealth Government to review the Bills of Exchange Act 1909-1958, dated 1st May, 1964.

Copyright-Report of Committee appointed by the Attorney-General to consider what alterations are desirable in the Copyright Law of the Commonwealth, dated 22nd December, 1959.

Pursuant to statute-

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment Certificate—W. H. Lunt.

Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Orders—Berthing of a vessel (3).

Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 144. Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for postal purposes—Cundletown, New South Wales. Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1965-

No. 33—Registration of Dogs.
No. 34—Oaths.
No. 35—Wildlife Conservation and Control.

Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1965—

No. 38—Customs Tariff.

No. 39—Excise Tariff.

No. 41—Income Tax (No. 2). No. 42—Income Tax (Rates).

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 145.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

Civil Aviation-R. H. Falkner.

Labour and National Service—M. G. Davis.

Territories-H. F. de Jong.

Works-A. S. Zallar.

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Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1965—

- No. 142—Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Australasia.

  No. 173—Postmaster-General's Department Heads of Divisions and Branches Association.
- No. 174—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union. No. 175—Australian Journalists' Association. No. 176—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.

- No. 177—Australian Broadcasting Commission Senior Officers' Association.
- No. 178—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others. No. 179—Amalgamated Engineering Union.
- No. 180-Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.
- No. 181-Federated Liquor and Allied Industries Employees' Union of Australia.
- No. 182—Federated Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia. No. 183—Commonwealth Foremen's Association.
- No. 184—Postmaster-General's Department Telecommunications Traffic and Supervisory Officers' Association.
- No. 185-Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 186-Hospital Employees' Federation of Australia.
- No. 187—Commonwealth Foremen's Association.
- No. 188-Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1965—No. 15—Adoption of Children.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan\*, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Cross, Mr. England, Mr. Fairhall, Mr. Falkinder\*, Mr. J. R. Fraser, Mr. Holt, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Sexton\*, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Uren\*.

. On leave.

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