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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 115.

TUESDAY, 19TH 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.
- PETITION.—Mr. Jess presented a petition from certain electors of the Commonwealth praying that the Parliament will amend the Social Services legislation to give an immediate increase in the basic pension rate paid to all social service pensioners. Petition received.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Defence Report 1965.

Postmaster-General's Department—Financial Report for year 1964-65.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute-

- Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Thirty-second Report (1965).
- Overseas Telecommunications Act—Overseas Telecommunications Commission (Australia)— Nineteenth Annual Report and financial accounts, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year ended 31st March, 1965.
- INDONESIA, VIETNAM, INDIA AND PAKISTAN—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the present position in areas of conflict in Indonesia, Vietnam and the sub-continent of India and Pakistan.
 Mr. Columbi (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the

Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

- 6. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE-REPORT-STATEMENT BY MEMBER.-Mr. Cleaver (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:-
 - Seventy-second Report—Treasury Minutes on the Fifty-fourth, Sixty-first and Sixty-sixth Reports together with summaries of those reports---

and, by leave, made a statement in connexion with the report. Ordered—That the report be printed.

7. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1965-66.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the committee.)

Second Schedule— Proposed expenditures— Department of Civil Aviation, £18,705,000— Department of Shipping and Transport, £13,303,000— Commonwealth Railways, £6,996,000 together further debated. Mr. Reynolds rising to address the committee— *Closure.*—Mr. Aston moved, That the question be now put. Question—That the question be now put—put.

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Ayes, 60.				
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chipp	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shaw
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Gibson	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Armstrong	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Giles	Mr. Killen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hallett	Mr. King	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. England	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bosman	Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowen	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten	Mr. Mackinnon	
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. Maisey	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Nixon	Tellers:
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pettitt	Mr. Aston
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Jess	Mr. Robinson	Mr. Turnbull
Noes, 39.				
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Collard	Mr. Davies	Mr. James	Mr. Reynolds
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Connor	Mr. Devine	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Benson	Mr. Cope	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Jones	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Birrell	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. Gray	Mr. Nicholls	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Cross	Mr. Hansen	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harding	Mr. Peters	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Clark	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
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The committee divided (the Temporary Chairman, Mr. Drury, in the Chair)-

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the proposed expenditures be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed. Ordered-That the order for the consideration of proposed expenditures agreed to by the committee on the 2nd September, 1965, be varied to consider the proposed expenditures for the Departments of Customs and Excise, Trade and Industry and Primary Industry before the proposed expenditures for the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization and the Department of National Development.

Proposed expenditures-

Department of Customs and Excise, £7,292,000-

Department of Trade and Industry, £6,003,000-Department of Primary Industry, £17,318,000-

together debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Drury reported accordingly.

Ordered-That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

8. ADJOURNMENT.---Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes past 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 19th October, 1965, pursuant to statute-

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment Certificate—K. Gregory.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for-

Postal purposes-Herons Creek, New South Wales.

Space Tracking Station purposes-Honeysuckle Creek, Australian Capital Territory.

Public Service Act-Appointments-Department-

Defence—C. M. Danckwerts. Interior—L. R. Watson.

National Development- A. Fearnside.

Works-K. C. Batley.

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

- No. 116-Hospital Employees' Federation of Australia.
- No. 189-Customs Officers' Association of Australia (Fourth Division); and Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
- No. 190-Civil Air Operations Officers' Association of Australia.
- No. 191—Merchant Service Guild of Australasia.

No. 192-Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.

No. 193-Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen.

No. 194—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others. No. 195—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Australian Capital Territory for year 1964-65.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Allan*, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Falkinder*, Mr. J. R. Fraser, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Lucock, Mr. Mc Ewen, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Sexton*, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Uren*.

* On leave.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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