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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 157.

TUESDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1966.

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. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
 3. DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH YUGOSLAVIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, informed the House that the Government and the Government of Yugoslavia had agreed to establish diplomatic relations and to exchange ambassadors.
 4. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—EDUCATION—TEACHER AND CLASSROOM SHORTAGE.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Reynolds had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Government to recognise the critical shortage of qualified teachers and classroom accommodation in schools throughout Australia and its Territories and its refusal to implement important recommendations of the Martin Committee, recent Premiers' Conferences and the Australian Education Council designed to alleviate these conditions".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr. Reynolds addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
Discussion concluded.
 5. SOFTWOOD PLANTING IN AUSTRALIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development):—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on the 9th March, 1966*), viz :—
Softwood Planting in Australia—Ministerial statement, 9th March, 1966—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed.
 6. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—
26th April, 1966—Message No. 278—Post and Telegraph 1966.
 7. FOREIGN AFFAIRS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT, 10TH MARCH, 1966—PAPER NOTED.—The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Hasluck (Minister for External Affairs):—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on the 10th March, 1966*), viz :—
Foreign Affairs—Ministerial statement, 10th March, 1966—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and passed.
 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at eighteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

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PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 26th April, 1966, pursuant to statute—

Census and Statistics Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1966, No. 79.

Norfolk Island Act—

Ordinance—1966—No. 8—Motor Vehicles.

Regulations—1966—No. 1 (Motor Vehicles Ordinance).

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1966—No. 9 (Local Government Ordinance).

Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1966—

No. 8—Building.

No. 9—Income Tax.

No. 10—Ordinances Interpretation.

No. 11—Census (Papua and New Guinea).

No. 12—Post and Telegraph (Papua).

No. 13—Post and Telegraph (New Guinea).

No. 14—Crocodile Trade (Protection).

No. 15—Public Museums and Art Galleries.

No. 16—Papua and New Guinea Electricity Commission.

No. 17—Industrial Relations 1965.

No. 18—Industrial Relations.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Costa, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Holt, Mr. James, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Lucock, Mr. Maissey, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Sexton and Mr. Snedden.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.