THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 11

WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH 1967

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 3 Paper: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement—Commonwealth Telecommunications Board—Fifteenth General Report and Statement of Accounts for year ended 31 March 1966.

- 4 FISHING LIMITS, EXTENSION OF—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the decision of the Government that the limits within which Australia would have exclusive rights over fisheries would be increased from three to twelve miles. The decision would also apply to the external territories.
- 5 Public Works Committee—Reference of work—Beef roads, Western Barkly Tablelands, N.T.: Mr Kelly (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* 1913–1966, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of beef roads, Western Barkly Tablelands, N.T.

Mr Kelly presented plans in connection with the proposed work. Ouestion—put and passed.

6 Public Works Committee—Reference of Work—Engineering Services to Casuarina Sub-division, Neighbourhood Unit No. 2, Darwin: Mr Kelly (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* 1913–1966, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Provision of engineering services to Casuarina Sub-division, Neighbourhood Unit No. 2. Darwin.

Mr Kelly presented plans in connection with the proposed work. Question—put and passed.

7 PUBLIC SERVICE BILL 1967: 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.

Ouestion—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Snedden (Minister for Immigration), the Bill was read a third time.

8 Loan (WAR Service Land Settlement) Bill 1967: 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. 3, dated 1 March 1967, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of moneys for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

9 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at seven minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 15 March 1967, pursuant to statute:

Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, Nos. 25, 26.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Benson, Mr Bonnett, Mr C. R. Cameron, Mr Courtnay, Mr Fairbairn and Mr Lucock.

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