THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 109

FRIDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 1969

- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Acting Speaker (Mr Lucock) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 3 Papers—Ministerial statement: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Department of External Affairs—Report for year 1968-69.

The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Defence Act—Royal Military College of Australia—Report for period 26 January 1968 to 31 January 1969.

Mr Lynch (Minister for the Army), by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report of the Royal Military College of Australia and referred to the death of Sir Jack Stevens, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., E.D., who had accepted an invitation to join the Interim Council of the College.

Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, supported the remarks of the Minister.

4 Construction of Jingili and Moil primary schools, Darwin—Approval of work:

Mr Kelly (Minister representing the Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—
That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* 1913—
1966, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed works which were referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to this House: Construction of Jingili and Moil primary schools, Darwin.

Debate ensued.

Ouestion—put and passed.

5 Public Works Committee—Reference of Work—G.P.O., Sydney (1942 Building):

Mr Kelly (Minister representing the 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: Rehabilitation of 1942 building, G.P.O., Sydney.

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

6 Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy Bill 1969: Mr Anthony (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy Act* 1966.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Anthony moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

7 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1969-70—LIMITATION OF DEBATE—VARIATION OF ALLOT-MENT OF TIME: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That, during consideration of the Second Schedule of the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 1969-70, the time allotted for the consideration together of the proposed expenditures for the Departments of Shipping and Transport and Civil Aviation be varied to allow the proposed expenditures to be considered separately for the following times:

Department of Shipping and Transport—1\frac{1}{2} hours.

Department of Civil Aviation-2 hours.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

8 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1969-70: 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 expenditure—Department of Shipping and Transport, \$82,212,000—debated. Limitation of debate: At twenty-eight minutes to three o'clock p.m., the Deputy Chairman (Mr Hallett) having called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the proposed expenditure had expired—

Question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed to—put and passed.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Civil Aviation, \$60,895,000—debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditures—

Department of Works, \$62,614,000— Department of the Interior, \$87,713,000—

together debated and agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Sir William Haworth reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House), the House adopted the report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 2) 1969-70: 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—Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House), the Bill was read a third time.

10 ADJOURNMENT: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes to five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr Aston, Mr Barnard, Mr Beazley, Mr Benson, Mr Birrell, Mr Bonnett, Miss Brownbill, Mr J. F. Cairns, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Chaney, Mr Cleaver, Mr Collard, Mr Connor, Mr Courtnay, Mr Cross, Mr Devine, Mr Duthie, Mr Forbes, Mr Gibbs, Mr Harrison, Mr Hayden, Mr Holten, Mr Jess, Mr Jessop, Mr Katter, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr Lee, Mr McMahon, Mr O'Connor, Mr Peters, Mr Pettitt, Mr St. John, Mr Stokes and Mr Turner.

N. J. PARKES, Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives