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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 1ST MAY, 1956.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Adermann) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Australian Imperial Force Canteens Funds Act—Thirty-fifth Annual Report by the Trustees, for year 1954–55.
 - Communist Party Dissolution Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 28.
 - Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 27.
 - Defence Transition (Residual Provisions) Act—
 - National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Order—Inventions and designs. Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 29.
 - Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Mooring of a Vessel.
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for postal purposes at Attadale, Western Australia.
 - Life Insurance Act—Tenth Annual Report of the Insurance Commissioner, for 1955.
 - Navigation Act—Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations—Determination dated 13th April, 1956.
 - Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1955—
 - No. 20—Stamp.
 - No. 21—Foreign Judgments (Reciprocal Enforcement).
 - No. 22—Building.
 - No. 23—Stock Diseases.
 - No. 25—Local Courts.
 - No. 26—Wrongs.
 - Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 31.
 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 - Air—A. McCallum.
 - Defence Production—G. D. Bennett, H. E. Dormer, K. Kenworthy.
 - Health—I. S. Docherty.
 - Prime Minister—P. J. Bowler, C. L. Dunkley.
 - Works—J. J. Davies, D. F. Flakelar, M. Kinowski, A. G. Newman, E. Pelevin, N. A. Wheaton, D. R. Wyllie.
 - Public Service Arbitration Act—
 - Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration—Judgment dated 7th March, 1956 and Determination No. 34 of 1956 (Determination by the Public Service Arbitrator 1954, No. 44—Repatriation Department Medical Officers Association).
 - Determinations—1956—
 - No. 12—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.
 - No. 23—Transport Workers' Union of Australia and Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 - No. 24—Musicians' Union of Australia.
 - No. 25—Commonwealth Works Supervisors' Association.
 - No. 26—Federated Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia.
 - No. 27—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
 - Supply and Development Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 30.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That leave of absence for two months be given to the honorable Member for Isaacs (Mr. Haworth), owing to his absence from Australia.
Question—put and passed.

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4. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—QUEENSLAND HOUSING.—Mr. Hulme having proposed to Mr. Deputy Speaker that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The serious wastage by the Queensland Government of public funds provided by the Commonwealth Parliament which results from the loss of materials connected with the importation of 886 French pre-fabricated homes, the increased rentals payable by tenants of Queensland Housing Commission homes resulting from this loss, and the failure of the Queensland Government to adequately explain the loss"—
- Mr. Deputy Speaker called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
- Mr. Hulme addressed the House.
- Discussion ensued.
- Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.
- Question—put and passed.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 4, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
6. FISHING INDUSTRY BILL 1956.—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.
- The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 57.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drummond	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McLeay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 32.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cope	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Galvin
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Luchetti

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Bowden reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Ward addressing the House—

Closure.—Sir Eric Harrison moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 56.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brand	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	
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Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. McMahon	
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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cope	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Bate, Mr. Bland, Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. A. G. Cameron, Mr. Clark, Mr. Coutts, Mr. Daly*, Mr. Drury, Mr. Duthie, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. J. M. Fraser, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Haworth*, Mr. McCole, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Timson, Mr. Townley, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Webb.

* On leave.

A. A. TREGGAR,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.