THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 58.

TUESDAY, 27th OCTOBER, 1959.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.--The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Bowden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PETITION .- Mr. Wentworth presented a Petition from certain electors praying that the House will delete certain of the clauses from the Matrimonial Causes Bill. Petition received and read.
- 3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-
 - Science and Industry Research Act-Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization-Eleventh Annual Report, for year 1958-59.

Ordered to be printed.

- Judiciary Act-Rule of Court, dated 12th October, 1959.
 - National Capital Development Commission Act-National Capital Development Commission-Second Annual Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1958-59.
- Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1959—No. 7—Post and Telegraph. Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1959—
 - - No. 5 (Control of Waters Ordinance).

No. 6 (Local Government Ordinance).

Public Service Act-Appointments-Department-

- Supply-J. S. Adams, D. G. Berlowitz, I. L. Beynon, K. J. M. Bilston, A. J. Castleman, D. R. Colbourn, R. W. Furneaux, G. L. Gentles, G. K. Harrison, A. E. Hicks, J. R. Hilton, J. W. Hollis, T. M. Jeffrey, P. E. Lecons, R. W. Lockhead, B. A. McDonald, N. C. March, I. M. Marshall, W. E. J. Mattinson, D. J. H. Moore, F. A. Needle, J. E. Pearce, J. D. Reed, W. M. Richardson, B. T. Savvas, M. C. Sutterby, J. A. Taylor, J. B. Trenorden, C. M. Whittington.
- Territories-T. W. Muir.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Variation of plan of lay-out of City of Canberra and its environs, dated 26th October, 1959.
- 4. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY-MONOPOLIES .-- Mr. Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The increasing number of 'take-overs' in trade and industry in Australia resulting in further monopoly growth to the detriment of the Australian people ".
 - The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-
 - Mr. Evatt addressed the House.
 - Discussion ensued.
 - Mr. Duthie rising to address the House-
 - Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on. Question-put.

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The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)-

| Ayes, 62. | | | | | | |
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| Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anderson Mr. Aston Mr. Bandidt Mr. Barnes Sir G. Barwick | Mr. Chresby Mr. Cleaver Mr. Cramer Mr. Davidson Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer | Mr. Fox Mr. J. M. Fraser Mr. Freeth Mr. Halbert Mr. Hamilton Mr. Hasluck Mr. Holt | Mr. Killen Mr. King Mr. Lindsay Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen | Mr. Swartz Mr. Timson Mr. Townley Mr. Turner Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight | | |
| Mr. Browne Mr. Buchanan Mr. Bury Mr. D. A. Cameron | Mr. Drummond Mr. Drury Mr. Erwin Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Holten Mr. Howson Mr. Jack Mr. Joske | Mr. McMahon Mr. Murray Mr. Osborne Mr. Pearce | Mr. Wilson Tellers: | | |
| Mr. Cash Mr. Chaney | Mr. Fairhall Mr. Forbes | Mr. Kelly Sir W. Kent Hughes Nozs, 40. | Mr. Roberton Mr. Stokes | Mr. Opperman Mr. Turnbull | | |
| Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. Bryant Mr. Cairns Mr. Calwell Mr. C. R. Cameron Mr. Clarey Mr. Clarey | Mr. Clay Mr. Cope Mr. Costa Mr. Courtnay Mr. Crean Mr. Curtin Mr. Daly Mr. Davies Mr. A. D. Fraser | Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths Mr. Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. Johnson Mr. Jones Mr. Kearney Mr. Lawson Mr. Luchetti | Mr. Makin Mr. McIvor Mr. Minogue Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Reynolds Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson Mr. Uren | Mr. Ward Mr. Whitlam <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Duthie Mr. Stewart | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. PETROLEUM SEARCH SUBSIDY BILL 1959.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 8, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.

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

Closure.-Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Chaney, in the Chair)-

| Ayes, 61. | | | | | | |
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| Mr. Adermann | Mr. Cleaver | Mr. J. M. Fraser | Mr. King | Mr. Timson | | |
| Mr. Anderson | Mr. Cramer | Mr. Freeth | Mr. Lindsay | Mr. Townley | | |
| Mr. Aston | Mr. Davidson | Mr. Halbert | Mr. Lucock | Mr. Turner | | |
| Mr. Bandidt | Mr. Davis | Mr. Hamilton | Mr. Mackinnon | Mr. Wentworth | | |
| Mr. Barnes | Mr. Dean | Mr. Hasluck | Mr. McColm | Mr. Wheeler | | |
| Sir G. Barwick | Mr. Downer | Mr. Holt | Mr. McEwen | Mr. Wight | | |
| Mr. Bate | Mr. Drummond | Mr. Holten | Mr. McMahon | Mr. Wilson | | |
| Mr. Browne | Mr. Drury | Mr. Howson | Mr. Murray | | | |
| Mr. Buchanan | Mr. Erwin | Mr. Jack | Mr. Osborne | Tellers: | | |
| Mr. Bury | Mr. Fairbai rn | Mr. Joske | Mr. Pearce | | | |
| Mr. D. A. Cameron | Mr. Fairhall | Mr. Kelly | Mr. Roberton | Mr. Opperman | | |
| Mr. Cash | Mr. Forbes | Sir W. Kent Hughes | Mr. Stokes | Mr. Turnbull | | |
| Mr. Chresby | Mr. Fox | Mr. Killen | Mr. Swartz | | | |
| Noes, 40. | | | | | | |
| Mr. Barnard | Mr. Clay | Mr. Galvin | Mr. Makin | Mr. Ward | | |
| Mr. Beazley | Mr. Cope | Mr. Griffiths | Mr. McIvor | Mr. Whitlam | | |
| Mr. Bird | Mr. Costa | Mr. Harrison | Mr. Minogue | | | |
| Mr. Bryant | Mr. Courtnay | Mr. Haylen | Mr. O'Connor | Tellers: | | |
| Mr. Cairns | Mr. Crean | Mr. Johnson | Mr. Pollard | | | |
| Mr. Calwell | Mr. Curtin | Mr. Jones | Mr. Reynolds | Mr. Duthie | | |
| Mr. C. R. Cameron | Mr. Daly | Mr. Kearney | Mr. Russell | Mr. Stewart | | |
| Mr. Clarey | Mr. Davies | Mr. Lawson | Mr. Thompson | | | |
| Mr. Clark | Mr. A. D. Fraser | Mr. Luchetti | Mr. Uren | | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the remainder of the Bill be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Chaney reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

6. LOAN (HOUSING) BILL 1959.—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.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Timson reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1959.

Debate continued.

Mr. Uren rising to address the House-

Closure .--- Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the question be now put.

Question-That the question be now put-put and passed.

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

- And then the House, at twenty-two minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Bland, Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. Casey*, Mr. Failes*, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Haworth*, Mr. Howse, Mr. Hulme, Mr. McLeay, Mr. Nelson*, Sir Earle Page*, Mr. Peters*, Mr. Riordan* and Mr. Sexton*.

• On leave.

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