THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 180.

WEDNESDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER, 1966.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Acting Speaker (Mr. Lucock) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 3. PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—

Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act—Export Payments Insurance Corporation—Tenth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1965-66.

National Capital Development Commission Act—National Capital Development Commission— Ninth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1965-66.

Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunals Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4—Reports for year 1965-66.

4. Public Works Committee—Report—Statement by Member.—Mr. Buchanan (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—

Report relating to the proposed development at R.A.N. Armament Depot at Kingswood, New South Wales—

and, by leave, made a statement in connexion with the report.

Ordered-That the report be printed.

- 5. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, pursuant to notice, That government business shall take precedence over general business to-morrow. Question—put and passed.
- 6. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1966-67.—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-

Pror osed expenditure—Department of Housing, \$4,457,000—further debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditures—

Department of Civil Aviation, \$42,948,000—

Department of Shipping and Transport, \$49,500,000—

Commonwealth Railways, \$15,682,000-

together debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Immigration, \$43,606,000—debated.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Drury reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

7. Adjournment.—Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Detrate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

21st September, 1966.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 21st September, 1966, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Treaties-Text of-

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- (1) Exchange of Notes dated 1st September, 1966, between Australia and the United States of America, constituting an agreement for the amendment and the further extension of the Agreement of 9th May, 1961, concerning a programme to study the radioactivity of the upper atmosphere by means of high-altitude balloons.
- (2) Exchange of Notes dated 2nd September, 1966, between Australia and Indonesia constituting an agreement for the extension of the 1959 Trade Agreement between the two countries.
 - (3) Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring, together with an additional Protocol to the Convention relating to the Importation of Tourist Publicity Documents and Material, signed 4th June, 1954.
 - (4) Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Private Road Vehicles, signed 4th June, 1954.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beaton, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Birrell, Mr. Brimblecombe*, Mr. Clark*, Mr. Davis*, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Jess, Mr. Johnson*, Mr. Kelly*, Mr. Maisey*, Sir John McLeay, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Minogue*, Mr. Nixon, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Riordan* and Mr. Sexton.

• On leave

N. J. PARKES,

Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.