THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 41

TUESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 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 Papers: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Tariff Board-Reports-

Ethylene oxide derivatives (Dumping and Subsidies Act).

Suspension file holders and parts (Dumping and Subsidies Act).

Severally ordered to be printed.

Department of Health—Report of Director-General of Health for year 1966-67. Nauru—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on administration of Nauru for year 1965-66.

New Guinea—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on administration of New Guinea for year 1965-66.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Air Navigation Act—Minister for Civil Aviation—Seventh Annual Report, for year 1966-67.

- Dried Fruits Export Control Act—Australian Dried Fruits Control Board—Forty-third Annual Report, for year 1966-67, together with statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
- 4 R.A.A.F. MIRAGE AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT, WILLIAMTOWN, N.S.W.—MINISTERIAL STATE-MENT: Mr Howson (Minister for Air), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to a Royal Australian Air Force Mirage aircraft accident which occurred at Williamtown, New South Wales, on 1 September.

Mr Barnard (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

- 5 Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bill: A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:
 - 31 August 1967—Message No. 46—Natural Gas Pipeline (South Australia) Agreement 1967.
- 6 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1967-68—BUDGET DEBATE: 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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), viz.—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: "this House condemns the Budget because—
 - (1) it places defence costs on those least able to pay them;
 - (2) it fails to curb administrative waste and extravagance;

(3) it defers and retrenches development projects; and

(4) it allows social service and war pensioners to fall still further behind their fellow citizens"—

Debate resumed.

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

7 Message from the Senate—Australian National University Bill 1967: Mr Speaker reported message No. 64, dated 5 September 1967, from the Senate transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Australian National University Act 1946-1966' to provide for Exemption from the Payment of Fees in certain cases".

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

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

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 5 September 1967, pursuant to statute:

Agricultural Tractors Bounty Act—Return for period 26 October 1966 to 30 June 1967.

Customs Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1967, No. 114.

Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, No. 113.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, Nos. 117, 118.

Income Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, No. 112.

National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, No. 116.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, No. 115.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—
1967—

No. 189-Transport Workers' Union of Australia.

No. 190-Australian Journalists' Association.

No. 192—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.

No. 193—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

Sulphate of Ammonia Bounty Act—Return for year 1966-67.

Tractor Bounty Act—Return for period 1 July 1966 to 25 October 1966.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Calwell*, Mr C. R. Cameron*, Mr Daly, Mr Davies, Mr Failes, Mr Gibbs*, Mr Holten, Mr Jess, Mr C. K. Jones*, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes*, Mr Scholes, Mr St. John and Mr Whittorn*.

On leave.

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