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THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1953.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at eleven a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The President (Senator the Honorable A. M. McMullin) took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. PAPERS.—The President presented the following Paper, pursuant to Statute—

Audit Act—Finance—Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year 1952-53, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.

The following Papers were presented, by Command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Tariff Board Reports—

Acetone, butyl acetate and butyl alcohol (butanol).

Articles used in the practice of religion.

Buttons.

Carpets, carpeting and floor rugs.

Chain and chains.

Cork products.

Gaskets of metal and asbestos.

Ginger.

Ladies' full-fashioned nylon hosiery.

Piece goods, knitted or lockstitched, other than of wool, for manufacture of goods other than apparel. Meat wraps.

Record changing devices.

Spectacles; spectacle lenses and frames; sunglasses and goggles.

Tools and appliances composed wholly or partly of cemented carbides.

Tweezers and forceps.

Severally ordered to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Defence Transition (Residual Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property)

Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (4).

Nationality and Citizenship Act—Return for year 1952-53.

4. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—*Resignation of Member*.—The President announced the receipt from Senator Reid of a letter resigning his place as a Member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Appointment to vacancy.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan) moved, by leave—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913-1951*, Senator Maher be appointed to fill the vacancy now existing on the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Question—put and passed.

5. REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE.—The President reported the receipt of a letter from the Leader of the Government in the Senate nominating, in accordance with Standing Order 36A, Senator Vincent to fill the vacancy existing on the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances.

The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan) moved, by leave—That Senator Vincent, having been duly nominated in accordance with Standing Order 36A, be appointed to fill the vacancy now existing on the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances.

Question—put and passed.

6. COMMONWEALTH OBSERVATORY TRUST FUND BILL 1953.—The Minister for Shipping and Transport (Senator McLeay), pursuant to notice, moved—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act relating to the Establishment of a Trust Fund for the purposes of the Commonwealth Observatory in the Australian Capital Territory.

Question—put and passed.

Bill presented, and on the motion of Senator McLeay read a first time.

Suspension of Standing Orders.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

Senator McLeay moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator McKenna the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

7. **FORESTRY AND TIMBER BUREAU BILL 1953.**—The Minister for Shipping and Transport (Senator McLeay), pursuant to notice, moved—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to amend the *Forestry and Timber Bureau Act 1930-1946*.

Question—put and passed.

Bill presented, and on the motion of Senator McLeay read a first time.

Suspension of Standing Orders.—Senator McLeay, pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

Senator McLeay moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator McKenna the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

8. **CUSTOMS BILL 1953.**—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan), pursuant to notice, moved—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Act 1901-1952*.

Question—put and passed.

Bill presented, and on the motion of Senator O'Sullivan read a first time.

Suspension of Standing Orders.—Senator O'Sullivan, pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

Senator O'Sullivan moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Courtice the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

9. **SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS BILL 1953.**—The Attorney-General (Senator Spicer), pursuant to notice, moved—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to amend the *Service and Execution of Process Act 1901-1950*.

Question—put and passed.

Bill presented, and on the motion of Senator Spicer read a first time.

Suspension of Standing Orders.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

Senator Spicer moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator McKenna the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

10. **NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.**—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till Wednesday next at three p.m.

Question—put and passed.

11. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan) moved—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

The Senate adjourned at twenty-three minutes past twelve o'clock noon till Wednesday next at three p.m.

12. **ATTENDANCE.**—Present, all the Members except Senators Arnold, Hendrickson, Kennelly, Sheehan and Toohey.

JOHN EDWARDS,

Clerk of the Senate