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(SECOND SESSION.)

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1929.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MEMBER SWORN.—Thomas Walter White, Esquire, made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
3. FRANKLIN BY-ELECTION.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that yesterday he had issued the Writ in connexion with the By-election for the Franklin Division, and that the dates fixed were those announced to the House on Wednesday last.
4. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) informed the House that the Address in Reply would be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House, at ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker said he would be glad if the mover and seconder, together with other honorable Members, would accompany him to present the Address.
5. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant, nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 25, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 25, I do hereby nominate—

The Honorable Richard Armstrong Crouch,
George Hugh Mackay, Esquire,
John Henry Prowse, Esquire,
The Honorable David Watkins, and
George Edwin Yates, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

NORMAN J. O. MAKIN,
Speaker.

6. MR. SPEAKER—TEMPORARY RELIEF TO.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That, during the unavoidable absence of Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Mr. Speaker be authorized to call upon any of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees to temporarily relieve him in the Chair.
Question—put and passed.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered—That Notice of Motion No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 1.
8. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—ARNCLIFFE, NEW SOUTH WALES—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report :—Arncliffe, New South Wales—Establishment of Automatic Telephone Exchange.
Mr. Lyons having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work—
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

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9. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—BRUNSWICK, VICTORIA—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report:—Brunswick, Victoria—Establishment of Automatic Telephone Exchange.
Mr. Lyons having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work—
Question—put and passed.
10. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—HURSTVILLE, NEW SOUTH WALES—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report:—Hurstville, New South Wales—Establishment of Automatic Telephone Exchange.
Mr. Lyons having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work—
Question—put and passed.
11. AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE AT EDGECLIFF, NEW SOUTH WALES—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, it is expedient to carry out the following work:—Establishment of an Automatic Telephone Exchange at Edgecliff, New South Wales—which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the result of its investigation.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
12. AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE AT CAULFIELD EAST, VICTORIA—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, it is expedient to carry out the following work:—Establishment of an Automatic Telephone Exchange at Caulfield East, Victoria—which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the result of its investigation.
Question—put and passed.
13. TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PERTH AND THE EASTERN STATES—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, it is expedient to carry out the following work:—Establishment of telephone communication between Perth and the Eastern States—which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the result of its investigation.
Question—put and passed.
14. SOUTH AUSTRALIA GRANT BILL.—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.
Mr. Malcolm Cameron moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-nine 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. Bayley, Mr. Donald Cameron, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Keane, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lewis, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Marks, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McNeill, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Stewart.

E. W. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.