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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 87.

THURSDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1930.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
- 2. PETITION.—Mr. Killen presented a Petition from certain representatives of primary industries within the Commonwealth, stating, *inter alia*, that the general policy of Australian Governments has acted detrimentally to the development of the primary industries, and praying that the House of Representatives may give effect by legislation to the desires of the petitioners. Petition received and read.

Mr. Killen asked leave to move, That the Petition be printed.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

3. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS-REPORT.--Mr. Lacey, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, brought up the following Report from the Committee :--

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, relating to the proposed establishment of an Automatic Telephone Exchange at Arncliffe, New South Wales.

Ordered to be printed.

- 5. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Kakichi Uchida, a Member of the House of Peers of Japan, was within the precincts. The distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honorable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.
- ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow. Question—put and passed.
- 7. PAPER.-The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute-
 - Seat of Government (Acceptance) Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1930—No. 12—Housing.
- 8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION BILL (1930).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

Message No. 45.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act relating to Compensation to Employees of the Commonwealth for Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

WALTER KINGSMILL, President.

The Senate, Canberra, 7th August, 1930, a.m.

MR. SPEAKER,

Mr. Beasley (Honorary Minister) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question--put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered – That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day. F.3014.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.-CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1930).-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 46.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the ' Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1928'," and acquaints the House that the Senate insists upon its amendments disagreed to by the House of Representatives. The Senate desires the reconsideration of the Bill in respect of such amendments.

> WALTER KINGSMILL, President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 7th August, 1930, a.m.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at a later hour this day.

10. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT--IMPERIAL CONFERENCE AGENDA .-- Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement announcing the Business to be transacted at the forthcoming Imperial Conference.

Mr. Latham (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.

11. DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CONTROL BILL (1930) .- Mr. Parker Moloney (Minister for Markets) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Dried Fruits Export Control Act 1924.

Question—put and passed.

12. CANNED FRUITS EXPORT CONTROL BILL (1930) .-- Mr. Parker Moloney (Minister for Markets) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Canned Fruits Export Control Act 1926.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Parker Moloney then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question-put and passed.-Bill read a first time.

Mr. Parker Moloney moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Mackay reported accordingly.

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

13. WINE OVERSEAS MARKETING BILL (1930) .--- Mr. Parker Moloney (Minister for Markets) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Wine Overseas Marketing Act 1929.

Question-put and passed.

Mr. Parker Moloney then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Parker Moloney moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. McGrath reported accordingly.

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

14. DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CONTROL BILL (1930) .--- Mr. Parker Moloney (Minister for Markets), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Dried Fruits Export Control Act 1924 '", and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Parker Moloney moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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(In the Committee.)

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

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

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

15. FLAX AND LINSEED BOUNTIES BILL .-- SENATE'S AMENDMENT,--- The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendment made by the Senate in this Bill-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment made by the Senate, which is as follows :---

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 6, clause 18, at end of clause add ", and the proportion in which bounty shall be payable to claimants who have complied with the prescribed conditions, in cases where there is not sufficient money available to pay the full bounty in respect of all the claims ".

On the motion of Mr. Forde (Honorary Minister), the Amendment was agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the House adopted the Report.

- 16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .-- Ordered -- That Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 17. NAVAL ARMAMENTS-APPROVAL OF LONDON NAVAL TREATY.-The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Fenton (Minister for Trade and Customs) :--- That this House approves the Treaty between His Majesty the King and the President of the United States of America, the President of the French Republic, His Majesty the King of Italy and His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, for the limitation and reduction of naval armaments, signed at London on 22nd April, 1930-Debate resumed.

Mr. Curtin 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 a later hour this day.

18. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1930) .- The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration, in Committee of the whole House, of the Senate's Message No. 46-

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Beasley (Honorary Minister) moved, That the Committee insists on disagreeing to the Amendments insisted upon by the Senate.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Beasley moved, That a Conference be requested with the Senate on the Amendments insisted upon by the Senate in the "Bill for an Act to amend the Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1928'," and that the Senate be informed that in the event of a Conference being agreed to this House will be represented at such Conference by five Managers.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Beasley moved, That the Managers for the House of Representatives be Mr. Chifley, Mr. Latham, Mr. McTiernan, Mr. Earle Page, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

Suspension of Standing Orders .- Mr. Beasley moved, by leave, That in connexion with the proposed Conference, Standing Orders Nos. 383 and 390 be suspended. Question—put and passed.

19. NAVAL ARMAMENTS-APPROVAL OF LONDON NAVAL TREATY.-The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Fenton (Minister for Trade and Customs):-That this House approves the Treaty between His Majesty the King and the President of the United States of America, the President of the French Republic, His Majesty the King of Italy and His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, for the limitation and reduction of naval armaments, signed at London on 22nd April, 1930-Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued.

20. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION BILL (1930) .-- The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Beasley (Honorary Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Parkhill 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 a later hour this day.

21. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1930) .--- SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.--- The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendments made by the Senate in this Bill-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments made by the Senate, which are as follows :----SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

No. 1.-Page 4, clause 5, after paragraph (a) insert the following new paragraph :--

(aa) by inserting in paragraph (j) of sub-section (1.) after the word "development" the words "of aviation and ".
No. 2.—Page 5, clause 5, at end of clause add "and (s) the proceeds arising from the sale for use

No. 3.—Page 10, clause 8, line 12, after " the " insert " value upon the ".
No. 4.—Page 10, clause 8, line 16, after " storage " insert " or packing ".

No. 4.—rage 10, clause 0, line 10, after storage insert or packing ". No. 5.—Page 10, clause 8, line 23, after "storage "insert "or packing ". No. 6.—Page 12, clause 11, line 34, leave out "as ", insert "or ". No. 7.—Page 14, clause 12, leave out paragraph (a). No. 8.—Page 16, clause 14, lines 24-32, leave out proposed sub-section (1.), insert the following new sub-section :-

(1.) Where a loss is made in any year by any person-

(a) in carrying on a business in Australia;

- (b) if he is a resident, in carrying on a business the proceeds of which (if any) derived from sources outside Australia would not be wholly exempt from income tax under the provisions of sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (q) of sub-section (1.) of section fourteen of this Act; or
- (c) upon the sale of any property the profits (if any) from the sale of which would have been assessable as income of that person,
- that person shall be entitled to a deduction of that loss from the net assessable income (if any) derived by him in that year.".

No. 9.—Page 21, after clause 19 insert the following new clause :— "19A. After section fifty-one A of the Principal Act the following section is

dissatisfied with any opinion, decision or determination of the Commissioner under this Act (whether in the exercise of a discretion conferred upon the Commissioner or otherwise) and who is dissatisfied with the assessment made pursuant to or involving such opinion, decision or determination shall, after the assessment has been made, have the same right of objection and appeal in respect of such opinion, decision or determination and assessment as is provided in sections fifty, fifty-one and fifty-one A of this Act.' "

No. 10.—Page 24, clause 25, line 8, after "paragraph (a)" insert "(in so far as it relates to losses made in carrying on a business)".

On the motion of Mr. Scullin (Treasurer), Amendments Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, Amendment No. 7 disagreed to. On the motion of Mr. Scullin, Amendment No. 8 agreed to.

Amendment No. 9-

- On the motion of Mr. Earle Page, the Amendment was amended, as follows :----(a) by inserting after the word "under" the words "section twenty-one A, paragraph (n) of sub-section (1.) of section twenty-three, or sub-section (2.) of section twenty-nine of ' and
 - (b) by omitting the words "the assessment" (first occurring) and inserting in their stead the words, "any assessment".
- On the motion of Mr. Šcullin, the Amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, Amendment No. 10 agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Crouch reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Scullin moved, That Mr. Fenton, Mr. Blakeley and the Mover be appointed a Committee to draw up a Reason for the House of Representatives disagreeing to Amendment No. 7.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Scullin, on behalf of the Committee, brought up such Reason, which was read, and is as follows :----Reason of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the Amendment of the Senate.

This Amendment will greatly reduce the total field of taxable income thereby reducing the estimated revenue from Income Tax which has been included in the Budget estimates for the current financial year.

Mr. Scullin moved, That the Committee's Reason be adopted. Question—put and passed.

22. WAYS AND MEANS-INCOME TAX BILL (1930).-The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Scullin (Treasurer) moved-

1. That a tax be imposed on income at the following rates, namely :--

A.-Rate of Tax upon Income Derived from Personal Exertion.

For so much of the whole taxable income as does not exceed £7,600, the average rate of tax per pound sterling shall be threepence and three eight-hundredths of one penny where the taxable income is One pound sterling, and shall increase uniformly with each increase of One pound sterling of the taxable income by three eight-hundredths of one penny.

The average rate of tax per pound sterling for so much of the taxable income as does not exceed £7,600 may be calculated from the following formula :---

R = average rate of tax in pence per pound sterling.

I = taxable income in pounds sterling.

$$R = \left(3 + \frac{3}{800} I\right) \text{ pence.}$$

For every pound sterling of taxable income in excess of £7,600, the rate of tax shall be sixty pence.

B.-Rate of Tax upon Income Derived from Property.

(a) For such part of the taxable income as does not exceed £546, the average rate of tax per pound sterling shall be that given by the following formula :---

 \mathbf{R} = average rate of tax in pence per pound sterling.

I = taxable income in pounds sterling.

$$R = \left(3 + \frac{I}{181 \cdot 058}\right) \text{ pence.}$$

(b) For such part of the taxable income as exceeds £546 but does not exceed £2,000, the additional tax for each additional pound of taxable income above £546 shall increase continuously with the increase of the taxable income in a curve of the second degree in such a manner that the increase of tax for One pound increase of taxable income shall be-

11.713 pence for the pound sterling between £545 10s. and £546 10s. 12.768 pence for the pound sterling between £599 10s. and £600 10s. 14.672 pence for the pound sterling between £699 10s. and £700 10s.

16.512 pence for the	pound sterling between	£799 10s. and £800 10s.
18.288 pence for the	pound sterling between	£899 10s. and £900 10s.
20.000 pence for the	pound sterling between	£999 10s. and £1,000 10s.

27.600 pence for the pound sterling between £1,499 10s. and £1,500 10s.

33.600 pence for the pound sterling between £1,999 10s. and £2,000 10s.

(c) For such part of the taxable income as exceeds £2,000 but does not exceed £6,500, the additional tax for each additional pound of taxable income above £2,000 shall increase continuously with the increase of the taxable income in a curve of the third degree in such a manner that the increase of tax for One pound increase of taxable income shall be-

33.600 pence for the pound sterling between £1,999 10s. and £2,000 10s.

40.000 pence for the pound sterling between £2,499 10s. and £2,500 10s.

45.300 pence for the pound sterling between £2,999 10s. and £3,000 10s. 49.600 pence for the pound sterling between £3,499 10s. and £3,500 10s.

- 53 000 pence for the pound sterling between £3,999 10s. and £4,000 10s.

55.600 pence for the pound sterling between £4,499 10s. and £4,500 10s. 57.500 pence for the pound sterling between £4,999 10s. and £5,000 10s.

58.800 pence for the pound sterling between £5,499 10s. and £5,500 10s.

59.600 pence for the pound sterling between £5,999 10s. and £6,000 10s.

60.000 pence for the pound sterling between £6,499 10s. and £6,500 10s.

(d) For every pound sterling of taxable income in excess of £6,500, the rate of tax shall be sixty pence.

C.-Rates of Tax in respect of Taxable Income Derived Partly from Personal Exertion and Partly from Property.

(a) For every pound sterling of taxable income derived from personal exertion, the rate of tax shall be ascertained by dividing the total amount of the tax that would be payable under Subdivision A if the total taxable income of the taxpayer were derived exclusively from personal exertion by the amount of the total taxable income.

(b) For every pound sterling of taxable income derived from property, the rate of tax shall be ascertained by dividing the total amount of the tax that would be payable under Subdivision B if the total taxable income of the taxpayer were derived exclusively from property by the amount of the total taxable income.

D.-Tax payable where amount would otherwise be less than Ten shillings.

Notwithstanding anything contained in the preceding provisions, where a person would, apart from this provision, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Ten shillings, the tax payable by that person shall be Ten shillings.

E.-Rate of Tax payable by a Trustee.

For every pound sterling of the taxable income in respect of which a trustee is liable to be separately assessed and to pay tax, the rate of tax shall be the rate which would be payable under Subdivision A, B or C, as the case requires, if one individual were liable to be separately assessed and to pay tax on that taxable income.

F.—Rates of Tax payable by a Company.

(a) Subject to the last preceding Subdivision and to Subdivisions J and K, for every pound sterling of the taxable income of a company, the rate of tax shall be One shilling.

(b) For every pound sterling of interest paid or credited by the company to any person who is an absentee, in respect of debentures of the company, or on money lodged at interest with the company by such person, the rate of tax shall be One shilling.

G.—Additional Tax.

- In addition to the tax payable under the preceding provisions, there shall be payable-
 - (a) in the case of incomes in respect of which the tax is calculated under Subdivisions A, B, C or E—an additional tax equal to eight per centum of the amount of the tax so calculated; and
 - (b) in the case of incomes in respect of which the tax is calculated under Subdivision F—an additional tax equal to thirty-three and one third per centum of the amount of the tax so calculated.

H.—Super-Tax.

In addition to any tax (including additional tax) payable under the preceding provisions, there shall be payable, in the case of incomes in respect of which the tax is calculated under Subdivisions A, B, C or E—

- (a) where the total taxable income is not less than Two hundred and one pounds and does not amount to One thousand five hundred and one pounds—a super-tax equal to ten per centum of the total amount of the tax payable under those provisions;
- (b) where the total taxable income is not less than One thousand five hundred and one pounds and does not amount to Three thousand and one pounds—a super-tax equal to fifteen per centum of the total amount of the tax payable under those provisions; and
- (c) where the total taxable income is not less than Three thousand and one pounds —a super-tax equal to twenty per centum of the total amount of the tax payable under those provisions.

I.—Further Tax.

In addition to any tax (including additional tax and super-tax) payable under the preceding provisions, there shall be payable, where the total taxable income (not being income in respect of which the tax is calculated under Subdivision F) is not less than five hundred and one pounds—

- (a) on so much of the income as is derived from personal exertion—a further tax equal to ten per centum of the amount of tax payable under those provisions on the income so derived; and
- (b) on so much of the income as is derived from property—a further tax equal to fifteen per centum of the amount of tax payable under those provisions on the income so derived.

J.—Rate of Tax payable by an Individually Owned Private Company.

For every pound sterling of the taxable income of an individually owned private company, the rate of tax shall be determined as follows :---

- (a) from the total amount of tax which would be payable by the person specified under sub-section (1.) of section twenty-one A of the *Income Tax Assessment* Act 1922-1930 if the taxable income of the company were added to his own taxable income, subtract the amount of tax actually payable by him in respect of his own taxable income; and
- (b) divide the amount obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph by the number of pounds in the taxable income of the company.

K.—Rate of Tax payable by a Severally Owned Private Company.

For every pound sterling of the taxable income of a severally owned private company, the rate of tax shall be determined as follows :----

- (a) compute the total of the amounts of tax that would be payable by the persons specified under sub-section (1.) of section twenty-one A of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1922-1930 if the company had been a partnership (other than a severally owned partnership) between those persons with equal interests;
- (b) from the total tax obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph subtract the total of the amounts of tax actually payable by those persons on their own taxable incomes; and
- (c) divide the difference obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph by the number of pounds in the taxable income of the company.

L.---Rate of Tax payable by an Individually Owned Partnership.

INDIVIDUALLY OWNED PARTNERSHIPS OTHER THAN TRUSTS WHICH ARE PARTNERSHIPS. For every pound sterling of the taxable income of an individually owned partnership,

the rate of tax shall be determined as follows :-

- (a) from the total amount of tax which would be payable by the member specified under sub-section (2.) of section twenty-nine of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1922-1930 if the taxable income of the partnership were added to his own taxable income, subtract the amount of tax actually payable by him in respect of his own taxable income; and
- (b) divide the amount obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph by the number of pounds in the taxable income of the partnership.

TRUSTS WHICH ARE INDIVIDUALLY OWNED PARTNERSHIPS

For every pound sterling of the taxable income of a trust which is an individually owned partnership, the rate of tax shall be determined as follows :-

- (a) from the amount of tax which would be payable by the person by whom the trust was created if the taxable income of the partnership were added to his own taxable income, subtract the amount of tax actually payable by him in respect of his own taxable income; and
- (b) divide the amount obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph by the number of pounds in the taxable income of the partnership.

M.-Rate of Tax payable by a Severally Owned Partnership.

For every pound sterling of the taxable income of a severally owned partnership, the rate of tax shall be determined as follows :--

- (a) compute the total of the amounts of tax that would be payable by the several members specified under sub-section (2.) of section twenty-nine of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1922-1930, if the severally owned partnership had been a partnership (other than a severally owned partnership) between those members with equal interest;
- (b) from the total tax obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph subtract the total of the amounts of tax actually payable by those several members on their own taxable incomes; and
- (c) divide the difference obtained by the application of the last preceding paragraph by the number of pounds in the taxable income of the partnership.

2. That tax in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this resolution shall be levied and paid for the financial year beginning on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and thirty.

3. That the foregoing provisions of this resolution shall also apply to all assessments of income tax for financial years subsequent to that beginning on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and thirty made prior to the passing of the Act for the levying and payment of income tax for the financial year beginning on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Crouch reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Scullin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Scullin, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Scullin and Mr. Fenton do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Scullin then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to impose Taxes upon Incomes", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Scullin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Crouch reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

23. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 70.-Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 70 (eleven o'clock rule) be suspended for the remainder of this sitting, in order to allow further new business to be taken.

Question-put and passed.

24. MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL (1930).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :--

SOMERS,

Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 44.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Deputy of the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of Revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions. State Government House,

Melbourne, 30th July, 1930.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Scullin (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient than an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Crouch reported accordingly.

Mr. Scullin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Scullin, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Scullin and Mr. Fenton do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Scullin then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a first time. Mr. Scullin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Crouch reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

25. Message from the Deputy of the Governor-General.----War Pensions Appropriation Bill (1930).---The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :---

SOMERS,

Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 45.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Deputy of the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of Revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions.

State Government House,

Melbourne, 30th July, 1930.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Scullin (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient than an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions.

Question-put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Crouch reported accordingly.

Mr. Scullin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay. Question-put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Scullin, was adopted by the House.

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Ordered-That Mr. Scullin and Mr. Fenton do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Scullin then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Scullin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Crouch reported accordingly.

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

26. Message from the Deputy of the Governor-General .--- Grafton to South Brisbane Railway BILL (1930).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :---

SOMERS,

Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 46.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Deputy of the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the Grafton to South Brisbane Railway Act 1924-1929.

State Government House,

Melbourne, 30th July, 1930.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Scullin (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient than an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the Grafton to South Brisbane Railway Act 1924-1929. Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Crouch reported accordingly.

Mr. Scullin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Scullin, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Scullin and Mr. Fenton do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Scullin then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Scullin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Crouch reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

27. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.-LOAN BILL (1930).-The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :--

STONEHAVEN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 47.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain Sums of Moneys.

Sydney, 3rd July, 1930.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Scullin (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient than an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain Sums of Moneys.

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7th and 8th August, 1930.

Question-put and passed. Resolution to be reported. 끸 The House resumed ; Mr. Crouch reported accordingly. Mr. Scullin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay. Question-put and passed. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Scullin, was adopted by the House. Ordered-That Mr. Scullin and Mr. Fenton do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution. Mr. Scullin then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Scullin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Mr. Josiah Francis 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 a later hour this day. 28. Message from the Senate.—Conciliation and Arbitration Bill (1930).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :--MR. SPEAKER. Message No. 47. The Senate acquaints the House of Representatives that the Senate has agreed to a Conference with five Members of the House on the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1928'", and has appointed Senators Daly, Barnes, Sir George Pearce, McLachlan and Johnston to represent it at such Conference. The Senate has appointed the Senate Committee Room (main floor) as the place, and the hour of 12.30 a.m. Friday, 8th August, 1930, as the time, for the holding of the Conference. WALTER KINGSMILL, President. The Senate, Canberra, 7th August, 1930. Ordered-That the foregoing Message be considered forthwith. Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the place and time appointed by the Senate for the Conference be agreed to. Question—put and passed. 29. LOAN BILL (1930).-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. Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and 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. Crouch reported accordingly. The House continuing to sit until after midnight-FRIDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1930. On the motion of Mr. Scullin (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having been previously suspended) the Bill was read a third time. 30. ADJOURNMENT.---Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question-put and passed. And then the House, at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at ten o'clock a.m. MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Brennan, Mr. Coleman*, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Mathews, and Mr. Theodore. • On leave. E. W. PARKES, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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