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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 115.

THURSDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1933.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. —Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
War Service Homes Act—Report of the War Service Homes Commission for year ended 30th June, 1933, together with Statements and Balance-sheet.
Ordered to be printed.
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Building and Services Ordinance—Canberra Building Regulations Amended.
3. WAYS AND MEANS [“GRIEVANCE DAY”].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Ways and Means—
Question proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 45.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Price
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Scholfield
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Holman	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchin	
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Lane	Mr. Hunter
Mr. John Lawson	

Noes, 16.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Ward

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

4. FINANCIAL RELIEF BILL (1933).—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. Forde, viz.:*—That all the words after “That” be omitted and the following words be inserted in lieu thereof:—“the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide for the complete restoration of the percentage reductions in public service salaries, wages, pensions, and social services”—
Debate resumed.

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Clause 3 agreed to.
 Clause 4 debated--

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight--

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Debate continued.

Question--That the clause be agreed to--put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)--

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. Dein	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Holman	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 17.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Martens	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 5 debated and agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7 debated and agreed to.

Clause 8 debated--

Question--That the clause be agreed to--put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)--

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Holman	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 17.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Martens	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered--That Part IV., consisting of Clauses 9 to 19 (inclusive) be taken as a whole.

Part IV. (clauses 9 to 19) debated and agreed to.

Clause 20 agreed to.

Clause 21 debated and agreed to.

Clause 22--

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That after "unemployment" (page 38, line 25) the following words be inserted:--"or the value of any food and lodging provided by a son or daughter for a parent, or by a parent for a son or daughter".

Debate ensued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Mr. Ward moved, as an amendment, That all words after "food relief" (page 38, line 28) to the end of sub-clause (1.) be omitted.

Debate continued.

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Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 16.		Noes, 34.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Martens	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Noek
Mr. Holloway		Mr. Dein	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Price
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Makin	Mr. E. C. Riley	Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scholfield
		Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Hutchin	
		Mr. Hutchinson	
		Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Hunter
		Mr. Marr	

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Beasley moved, as an amendment, That after " any " (page 38, line 31) the following paragraph be inserted :—

" (b) by inserting the following after paragraph (d) of the definition of ' Income '—
 ' (da) By way of child endowment '."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 16.		Noes, 36.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Martens	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Noek
Mr. Holloway		Mr. Dein	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Makin	Mr. E. C. Riley	Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Prowse
		Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield
		Mr. Guy	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
		Mr. Jennings	
		Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. Marr	Mr. Hunter

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Rosevear proposing to move, as an amendment, That after " any " (page 38, line 31) the following paragraph be inserted :—

" (c) by inserting the following after paragraph (d) of the definition of ' Income '—
 ' (db) By way of superannuation paid by the Commonwealth Government or by the Government of a State '."

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman (Mr. Bell) ruled that such an amendment would be out of order, as its effect would be to increase the amount of the appropriation required.

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That after " any " (page 38, line 31) the following paragraph be inserted :—

" (d) by inserting the following after paragraph (d) of the definition of ' Income '—
 ' (dc) By way of profit deemed to be derived from payment of money for board and lodging paid by a son or daughter of the pensioner to the pensioner or the wife of the pensioner '."

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

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Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the following be added to sub-clause (1.) :—

“ ; and (b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section :—

‘ (2.) For the purposes of this Act, husband and wife shall be deemed to be living apart if—

(a) they are doing so pursuant to a decree, judgment, order, or deed of separation ; or

(b) they satisfy the Commissioner that they are not doing so for the purpose of avoiding the application to them or to either of them of any provision of this Act,

but not otherwise.’ ”

Debate ensued.

Point of Order.—Mr. McGrath raised a point of order that the amendment, if agreed to, would increase the amount of the appropriation required and was therefor not in order.

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman upheld the point of order on the ground as stated.

Debate on clause continued.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 23 agreed to.

Clause 24—

Mr. Gander proposing to move, as an amendment, That the following paragraph be inserted in sub-clause (1.) :—

“ (ee) by inserting the following further proviso in sub-section (2.) :—

‘ Provided further that for the purposes of this sub-section the value of the accumulated property from which the pensioner derives no income shall not be taken into account in making deductions under this sub-section ’.”

Point of Order.— Mr. Marr (Minister for Health) raised a point of order that the amendment, if agreed to, would increase the amount of the appropriation required and was therefore not in order.

Temporary Chairman's Ruling.—The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Riordan) upheld the point of order on the ground as stated.

Mr. Ward moved, as an amendment, That the word “ seventy-eight ” (page 39, line 10) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word “ One hundred and four ” in place thereof.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Makin
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Ward

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 36.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock
Mr. Dein	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scholfield
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Marr	

And so it was negatived.

Debate on clause ensued.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 25 to 27 agreed to.

Proposed new clause (taken by leave)—

Mr. Ward proposing to move, That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill :—

27A. Sections 52A to 52M (inclusive) of the Principal Act are hereby repealed.

Point of Order.—Mr. Marr raised a point of order that the amendment, if agreed to, would increase the amount of the appropriation required and was therefore not in order.

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order on the ground as stated.

Dissent from Chairman's Ruling.—Mr. Beasley having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling of the Chairman, moved, That the Ruling be dissented from.

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Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 37.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock
Mr. Holloway		Mr. Dein	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. James		Mr. Dennis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. George Lawson	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Makin	Mr. Gander	Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Martens	Mr. E. C. Riley	Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield
		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. Holman	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
		Mr. Jennings	
		Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter
		Mr. Marr	

And so it was negatived.

Clause 28 debated and agreed to.

Clause 29—

Mr. Ward moved, as an amendment, That the words "grant of a pension to" (page 41, lines 45-6) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "death of" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 35.	
Mr. Baker		Mr. Blacklow	Mr. McBride
Mr. Beasley		Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Blakeley		Mr. Casey	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Forde		Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Albert Green		Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nock
Mr. Holloway		Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. James		Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Perkins
Mr. George Lawson		Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price
Mr. Makin		Mr. Guy	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Martens		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Riordan		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Rosevear		Mr. Holman	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Scullin		Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Ward		Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Watkins		Mr. Jennings	
	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gander		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. E. C. Riley		Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter
		Mr. Marr	

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 30 agreed to.

Clauses 31 and 32 agreed to.

Clause 33 debated and agreed to.

Proposed new clause (taken by leave)—

Mr. Makin moved, That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill:—

23A. Section seventeen of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (fb).

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Clause 34—

On the motion of Mr. Marr, the following amendments were made, after debate:—

Page 44, after sub-section (1.) of the proposed new section 42 insert the following sub-section:—

"(1A.) Where a pension is payable under the Principal Act to the widow of a member of the Forces who, after the date of his discharge, has died or dies from causes other than the result of an occurrence happening during the period he was a member, and who was immediately prior to the date of his death in receipt of a pension under the Principal Act, the rate of pension payable to the widow shall, notwithstanding anything contained in that Act, be thirty-six shillings per fortnight or such less rate as is proportionate to the extent of the incapacity of the member in accordance with which his pension was assessed under the Principal Act."

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Page 44, insert at the end of proposed new section 42 the following sub-section :—

“(3.) Any reference in this section to ‘ child ’ or ‘ children ’ shall be deemed to include a reference to an ex-nuptial child or ex-nuptial children as the case may be.”.

Page 44, line 30, after “ child ” insert “ or ex-nuptial child ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 35 to 37 agreed to.

Clause 38—

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the following amendment was made :—

Page 45, lines 40–43, omit “ as nearly as practicable be such that the salaries of members of the Forces shall be affected in like manner and to the same extent as the salaries of officers and employees are affected under the last three preceding sections ”, insert “ be such that the salaries of members of the Forces shall, in view of the reductions effected under the last three preceding sections, be affected in such manner and to such extent as, in the opinion of the Minister, is fair and reasonable ; ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 39 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 40 to 42 agreed to.

Clause 43 debated—

Mr. Ward moved, That the clause be postponed.

Debate continued.

Motion withdrawn, by leave.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 44 to 46 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Mr. Mertens asked leave to move, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of Part VIII.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr. Lyons (Treasurer), 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.

Mr. Lyons moved, That the Report be adopted.

Mr. James moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the consideration of three proposed new clauses in Part VIII.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 44.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Bell	Mr. McBride
Mr. Baker	Mr. Makin	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Nock
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Marr	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Casey	Mr. Martens	Mr. Fenton	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNicoll	Mr. Gregory	
Mr. Dein	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. E. F. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Forde	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gander	Mr. E. C. Riley		
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Riordan		
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Rosevear		
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scullin		
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart		
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thompson		
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Thorby		
Mr. Holman	Mr. Ward		
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Watkins		
Mr. James	Mr. White		
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lane			
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Hunter		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

On recommittal—

Part VIII.—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

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5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—FINANCIAL RELIEF BILL (1933).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 62.

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 revenue be made for the purposes of amendments to be moved by the Prime Minister to a Bill for an Act to provide relief to Taxpayers, to amend laws relating to Financial Emergency, and for other purposes.

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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. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of amendments to be moved by the Prime Minister to a Bill for an Act to provide relief to Taxpayers, to amend laws relating to Financial Emergency, and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr Lyons, by leave, was adopted by the House.

6. FINANCIAL RELIEF BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further reconsideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

On recommittal—

Part VIII.—

New Clauses—

On the motion of Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill, after debate :—

34A. Section six of the *Financial Emergency Act* 1931–1932, as amended by the *Financial Emergency Act* 1933, is amended by inserting after the definition of “officers and employees” the following definition :—

Definitions.

“ ‘parliamentary office’ means any of the following offices, namely, Presiding Officer, Chairman of Committees and Leader of the Opposition in either House of the Parliament ; ”.

34B. Section seven of the *Financial Emergency Act* 1931–1932, as amended by the *Financial Emergency Act* 1933, is amended by omitting the words “Ten thousand seven hundred and ten pounds” and inserting in their stead the words “Twelve thousand two hundred and forty pounds”.

Amendment of *Ministers of State Act* 1919.

34C. Section nine of the *Financial Emergency Act* 1931–1932, as amended by the *Financial Emergency Act* 1933, is repealed, and the following section inserted in its stead :—

“ 9.—(1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act, the total amount of allowances, or of salary and allowances, which would, but for this Act, have been received annually by any senator or member of the House of Representatives (including any senator or member who holds a parliamentary office) shall be reduced as follows :—

Reduction of Parliamentary salaries and allowances.

(a) Where the amount does not exceed One thousand pounds—by seventeen and one-half per centum of that amount ;

(b) Where the amount exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed Two thousand pounds—by twenty per centum of that amount ; and

(c) Where the amount exceeds Two thousand pounds—by twenty-two and one-half per centum of that amount :

Provided that the allowance as a senator or member which would, but for this Act, have been received annually by any Minister of State shall be reduced by twenty per centum.

“ (2.) Where the application of this section would result in the reduction of the allowances, or salary and allowances, of any senator or member to whom paragraph (b) or (c) of the last preceding sub-section applies below the amount to which the allowances, or salary and allowances, of any senator or member receiving the maximum amount specified in the next preceding paragraph would be reduced, the amount to be deducted from the allowances, or salary and allowances, of the first-mentioned senator or member shall be reduced to the extent necessary to prevent this result.”

Bill to be reported with further amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

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7. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1933—

No. 4—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.

No. 5—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia; Australian Postal Electricians' Union; Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union; Commonwealth Legal Professional Officers' Association; Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association; Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association; Commonwealth Telegraph Traffic and Supervisory Officers' Association; Commonwealth Telephone Officers' Association; Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia; Fourth Division Officers' Association of the Trade and Customs Department; Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union; Line Inspectors' Association, Commonwealth of Australia; Meat Inspectors' Association, Commonwealth Public Service; Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service; Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia; Commonwealth Naval Storehousemen's Association; and Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia.

No. 16—Australian Postal Electricians' Union.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to one o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Latham, Mr. Earle Page, and Mr. Thomas Paterson.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.