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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 1934.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH—NO-CONFIDENCE AMENDMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition), viz. :—That the following words be added to the proposed Address :—

“ and this House is of the opinion that to provide for relief of unemployment immediate action should be taken—

- (1) to extend the functions and activities of the Commonwealth Bank, increasing its power to make bank credit available and utilizing such credit to finance public works ;
- (2) to amend the Arbitration Act to ensure that full and favorable consideration be given to progressive reductions in the working hours and increases in living standards commensurate with increased powers of production, due to mechanization and speeding up of industry ;
- (3) to restore in full pensions and social services and to repeal clauses imposing charges upon pensioners' property and relatives, thus increasing purchasing power and stimulating industry ; and
- (4) to establish a national scheme for organized marketing including the setting up of Australian-wide pools ”—

Debate resumed.

Mr. W. Maloney 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.

3. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
Question—put and passed.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Marr, Mr. Martens, Mr. McClelland, and Mr. Thorby.

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

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