

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1934.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—CHANGES IN MINISTRY.—Mr. Earle Page announced that, consequent upon certain additional changes, the Ministry was, from the 9th instant, constituted as follows :—
 - The Right Honorable Joseph Aloysius Lyons, M.P., to be Prime Minister and Treasurer.
 - The Right Honorable Earle Christmas Grafton Page, M.P., to be Minister of State for Commerce.
 - Senator the Right Honorable Sir George Foster Pearce, K.C.V.O., to be Minister of State for External Affairs and Minister-in-charge of Territories.
 - The Honorable Robert Gordon Menzies, K.C., M.P., to be Attorney-General and Minister of State for Industry.
 - The Honorable Robert Archdale Parkhill, M.P., to be Minister of State for Defence.
 - The Right Honorable William Morris Hughes, K.C., M.P., to be Vice-President of the Executive Council and Minister of State for Health and Minister of State for Repatriation.
 - The Honorable Thomas Paterson, M.P., to be Minister of State for the Interior.
 - Senator the Honorable Alexander John McLachlan to be Postmaster-General and Minister-in-charge of Development and of Scientific and Industrial Research.
 - The Honorable Thomas Walter White, D.F.C., V.D., M.P., to be Minister of State for Trade and Customs.
 - The Honorable Richard Gardiner Casey, D.S.O., M.C., M.P., to be Assistant Treasurer.
 - The Honorable Sir Henry Somer Gullett, K.C.M.G., M.P., to be Minister without portfolio, directing negotiations for Trade Treaties.
 - Senator the Honorable Thomas Cornelius Brennan, K.C., to be Minister without portfolio, assisting the Minister for Commerce and the Minister for Industry.
 - The Honorable Harold Victor Campbell Thorby, M.P., to be Minister without portfolio, in charge of War Service Homes and assisting the Minister for Repatriation.
 - The Honorable James Aitchison Johnston Hunter, M.P., to be Minister without portfolio, representing the Postmaster-General in the House of Representatives.
 - The Honorable Charles William Clanan Marr, D.S.O., M.C., V.D., M.P., to be Honorary Minister, in charge of the Royal Visit.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—REGULATION OF MEAT EXPORT.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with regard to the consideration of a proposal to regulate the export of frozen meat.
4. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—NEWNES SHALE OIL.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with regard to the Newnes Shale Oil undertaking.
5. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Oil—Report of Committee appointed to inquire into question of establishing a plant in Australia for production of Oil from coal by hydrogenation process.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
 - The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for year 1933-34 ; together with Statements showing gaugings made at Gauging Stations, and quantities of water diverted from the River Murray and tributaries.
 Ordered to be printed.
6. PRINTING OF PAPER.—Mr. James moved, That the following Paper, laid on the Table of the House this day, be printed :—
 - Oil—Report of Committee appointed to inquire into question of establishing a plant in Australia for production of Oil from coal by hydrogenation process.
 Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

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7. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Brennan rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The action of the Government in refusing to allow Egon Erwin Kisch to land in Australia".

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Brennan moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure moved.—Mr. Gander moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 40.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. James	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Frost		Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Mr. Garden	<i>Tellers:</i>	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Gander	Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Holloway	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. Hughes	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
		Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Lane	Mr. White
		Mr. John Lawson	
		Mr. Maxwell	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. McBride	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. McCall	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.
Debate continued.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 257b.

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

Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1934—

No. 27—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia; Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union; and Commonwealth Naval Storehousemen's Association.

No. 28—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia; Amalgamated Engineering Union; and Australasian Society of Engineers.

Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Eighth Annual Report of Canned Fruits Export Control Board for year 1933-34, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Colonial Light Dues Collection Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 128.

Dairy Produce Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 131.

Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 141.

Papua Act—Ordinances of 1934—

No. 3—Customs Tariff.

No. 4—White Women's Protection.

No. 5—Supplementary Appropriation 1933-34.

No. 6—Auctioneers.

No. 7—Appropriation 1934-35.

No. 8—Sago.

No. 9—Mining (Facilities for Development).

No. 10—Petroleum (Mining).

Patents Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 134.

Patents Act, Trade Marks Act, Designs Act, and Treaty of Peace (Germany) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 132.

Science and Industry Endowment Act—Report by Auditor-General on Science and Industry Endowment Fund for year 1933-34.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1934—No. 23—Police.

Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Sixth Annual Report of Wine Overseas Marketing Board for year 1933-34, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

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9. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—LOAN BILL (No. 2) (1934).—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. 2.

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 of a certain sum of money and for other purposes.

Canberra, 13th November, 1934.

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. Casey (Assistant Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the raising of a certain sum of money and for other purposes.

Mr. Beasley proposing to move, as an amendment, That the words " and for other purposes " be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words " for the relief of unemployment " in place thereof—

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman (Mr. Prowse) ruled the amendment out of order on the ground that it would alter the destination of the Governor-General's recommendation.

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.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Beasley
Mr. Clark
Mr. Garden
Mr. James
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Ward

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. Rosevear

Noes, 51.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Baker	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Brennan	Mr. McBride
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Fisker	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Frost	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Stacey
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Street
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. White
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner
Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Casey moved, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the Members of the House. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Casey, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Casey and Mr. Earle Page do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Casey 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. Casey moved, 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.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated—

Closure.—Mr. Thompson moved, That the question be now put.

14th and 15th November, 1934.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 33.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Lane	Mr. White
Mr. John Lawson	
Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. McBride	
Mr. McCall	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McClelland	Mr. Thompson

Tellers:

Noes, 22.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Barnard	Mr. James
Mr. Beasley	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin
Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Garden	Mr. Gander
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Rosevear

Tellers:

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the clause be agreed to—being accordingly put, was passed.

Clause 3 debated—

Closure.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 33.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Lane	Mr. White
Mr. John Lawson	
Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. McBride	
Mr. McCall	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McClelland	Mr. Thompson

Tellers:

Noes, 22.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Barnard	Mr. James
Mr. Beasley	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin
Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Garden	Mr. Gander
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Rosevear

Tellers:

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the clause be agreed to—being accordingly put, was passed.

Clause 4 debated—

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

THURSDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1934.

Debate continued.

Closure.—Mr. Casey moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 32.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Lane	Mr. White
Mr. John Lawson	
Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. McBride	
Mr. McCall	Mr. Gardner
	Mr. Thompson

Tellers:

Noes, 22.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Barnard	Mr. James
Mr. Beasley	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin
Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Garden	Mr. Gander
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Rosevear

Tellers:

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the clause be agreed to—being accordingly put, was passed.

The Schedule—

Closure.—Mr. Earle Page moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Baker	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Barnard	Mr. James
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Makin
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Fisker	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Forde	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Frederick Stewart	Mr. Frost	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street	Mr. Garden	Mr. Gander
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Lane	Mr. White		
Mr. John Lawson			
Mr. Maxwell	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. McBride	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. McCall	Mr. Thompson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Schedule be agreed to—being accordingly put, was passed.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

10. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past two o'clock p.m. this day.

Question—put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 3.		Noes, 19.	
Mr. Thorby		Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini
		Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
<i>Tellers:</i>		Mr. Beasley	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Josiah Francis		Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Roland Green		Mr. Brennan	Mr. Rosevear
		Mr. Clark	Mr. Ward
		Mr. Drakeford	
		Mr. Forde	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Frost	Mr. Gander
		Mr. Garden	Mr. George Lawson
		Mr. James	

And it appearing, on the report by the Tellers, that a quorum of Members of the House was not present, the Speaker, thereupon, at eight minutes to one o'clock in the morning, adjourned the House until half-past two o'clock p.m. this day.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Sir Donald Cameron, Mr. E. F. Harrison, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. G. W. Mahoney, Mr. Marr, and Mr. Martens.

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