

1934.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 6.

THURSDAY, 15TH 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. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—AEROPLANE ACCIDENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of an aeroplane accident to-day involving four deaths, and of the action taken by the Government in connexion therewith.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Sugar Agreement—Third Annual Report of the Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee, for year ended 31st August, 1934.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.  
The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Financial Relief Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 138.
4. DAYS AND HOURS OF MEETING.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), for Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), moved, pursuant to notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of business on each Wednesday at three o'clock p.m.; on each Thursday at half-past two o'clock p.m.; and on each Friday at half-past ten o'clock a.m.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.
5. WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Mr. Casey (Assistant Treasurer) withdrew Notice of Motion No. 2 standing in his name for leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section nine of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1933*.
6. NAVIGATION BILL (1934).—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section seven of the *Navigation Act 1912-1926*.  
Question—put.  
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McBride
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Menzies
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Fiskien	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Frost	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Street
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Jennings	Tellers:
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 22.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	Tellers:
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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7. SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS BILL (1934).—Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Service and Execution of Process Act 1901-1931*, as amended by the *Statute Law Revision Act 1934*, and for other purposes. Question—put and passed.
8. NATIONALITY BILL (1934).—Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for the Interior) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Nationality Act 1920-1930*. Question—put and passed.
9. SUPPLY [BUDGET DEBATE].—The Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—  
Question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and passed.  
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. Casey (Assistant Treasurer) moved, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I.—The Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances .. £7,182

be agreed to.

Mr. Forde moved, as an amendment, That the first item be reduced by £1.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

10. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Senator the Right Honorable Arthur Meighen, K.C., of the Canadian Parliament, 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.
11. SUPPLY [BUDGET DEBATE].—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

General debate resumed on the question, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I.—The Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances .. .. . £7,182

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Forde, That the first item be reduced by £1.

Question—That the first item proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.

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

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 39.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin	Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney	Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Forde	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Fisker	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Frost		Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Garden		Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson	Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Street
		Mr. Hawker	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Hughes	Mr. White
		Mr. Hunter	
		Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. Maxwell	

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Beasley moved, as an amendment, That the first item be reduced by 10s.

Debate continued.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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12. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—LOAN BILL (No. 2) (1934).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 1.*

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to Authorize the Raising of a certain Sum of Money and for other purposes*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,  
President.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 15th November, 1934.

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

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

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

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