# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

#### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 12.

## THURSDAY, 29TH 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. Sales Tax Assessment (Fiji Imports) Bill.—Sir Henry Gullett (Minister directing negotiations for Trade Treaties), pursuant to leave given on the 22nd instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 5) 1930-1934', the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 6) 1930-1934', the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 7) 1930-1934' and the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 8) 1930-1934'," and moved, That it 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 the next sitting.

- 3. WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Mr. W. Maloney, by leave, withdrew Notice of Motion No. 2. General Business, standing in his name.
- 4. Presentation of Address-in-Reply.—Mr. Speaker reported that, accompanied by honorable Members, he had waited that day upon His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House, and had presented to him the Address-in-Reply to His Excellency's Speech on the Opening of Parliament, agreed to by the House on the 2nd instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—
  Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen-

I receive with much pleasure the Address which has been adopted by the House of Representatives in reply to the Speech which I delivered on the occasion of the Opening of the First Session of the Fourteenth Parliament of the Commonwealth; and I thank you for your expression of loyalty to His Majesty the King.

5. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—No. 32 of 1934—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia. Quarantine Act-Regulations Amended-Statutory Rules 1934, No. 145.

6. Message from the Senate.—Appropriation (Works and Services) Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:-

Message No. 2.

President.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum of One hundred and seventy-six thousand pounds for the purpose of Expenditure on certain Works and Services", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. Lynch,

The Senate,

Canberra, 28th November, 1934.

7. Income Tax Assessment Bill (No. 2) (1934).--Mr. Casey (Assistant Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section nine of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1933.

Question—put and passed.

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.

Ordered-That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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8. 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. Hughes (Minister for Health) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

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

Ayes	, 39.	Noes	, 25.
Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Littleton Groom Sir Henry Gullett Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane	Mr. McCall Mr. McClelland Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Prowse	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. G. W. Mahoney Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House will, at a later hour this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Ayes, 41.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Littleton Groom Sir Henry Gullett Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. Mr. Lyons	r. McClelland r. McEwen r. Menzies r. Nock r. Earle Page r. Parkhill r. Thomas Paterson r. Perkins r. Price r. Prowse r. Scholfield r. Stacey r. Frederick Stewart r. Street r. Thorby r. White  Tellers: r. Thomas Collins r. Nairn	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Fost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. G. W. Mahoney Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

9. Supply [Budget Debate].—The House, according to Order, 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 .. .. £7,18

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Beasley, That the first item be reduced by 10s.

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Closure .- Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) 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.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the item proposed to be reduced be so reduced—being accordingly put—The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

#### Aves, 24.

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Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. G. W. Mahoney	1
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin Mr. Martens	l i
Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy	Î
Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Forde Mr. Frost	Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward	N
Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green	Tellers:	1
Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	l l

## Noes, 33.

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Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McClelland Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken	
Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hawker Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane	Mr. White
Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons	Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins
Mr. McCall	Mr. Nairn

And so it was negatived.

First item-

Closure.—Mr. Lyons 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.

Noes,	24.	

Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. McCall	Mr. Menzies Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. G. W. Mahoney Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward  T'ellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question-That the first item be agreed to-being accordingly put, was passed.

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Mr. Lyons moved, That progress be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

Question-put.

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

$\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{A}}$	yes, 33.	Noe	s, 23.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. McClelland Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward
Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker	Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Street	Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green	Tellers:
Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Thorby Mr. White	Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson	Tellers:	mi. vames	MI. Goorge Dawson
Mr. Lyons Mr. McCall	Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Nairn		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Lyons moved, That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Question-put.

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

Ayes	s, 33.	Noes	, 23.
Mr. A. G. Cameron Mr. Casey	Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. Thorby Mr. White  Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Nairn	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 10. Declaration of Estimates, Resolutions, and Appropriation Bill as Urgent—Limitation of Debate.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) declared—
  - (a) That the Estimates of Expenditure are of an urgent nature;
  - (b) That the Resolutions preliminary to the introduction of the Appropriation Bill are Urgent Resolutions; and
  - (c) That the Appropriation Bill is an Urgent Bill.

Question—That the Estimates are Urgent Estimates, that the Resolutions are Urgent Resolutions, and that the Appropriation Bill is an Urgent Bill—put.

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

Aye	s, <b>33</b> .	N	oes, 23.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Gregory Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. McCall Mr. McClelland	Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. Thorby Mr. White  Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Nairn	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Forde Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Makin Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson
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Allotment of Time.-Mr. Lyons moved, That the time allotted for the consideration of the remainder of the Estimates, the Resolutions, and the stages of the Appropriation Bill, be as follows:-(1) Estimates-

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Time allotted.
      Thursday, 29th November-
          Remainder of Vote-The Parliament ...
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          The Prime Minister's Department
          The Department of the Treasury
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      Friday, 30th November-
          The Attorney-General's Department ...
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           The Department of the Interior
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          The Department of Defence ...
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           The Department of Trade and Customs
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      Tuesday, 4th December-
          The Department of Health ...
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          The Department of Commerce
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          Miscellaneous Services ...
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          Refunds of Revenue
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           Advance to the Treasurer
           War Services payable out of Revenue
          Commonwealth Railways ...
                                                                              1½ hours.
          Postmaster-General's Department
          Northern Territory ...
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          Federal Capital Territory
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                                                                              1 hour.
          Papua
          Norfolk Island
          Supply Resolution, and adoption of Resolution
          Ways and Means Resolution, and adoption of Resolution...
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(2) Appropriation Bill—All stages
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Debate ensued.

The time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B for the discussion of the motion having expired-Question—put.

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

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Ay	es, 32.	Noes	, 23.
Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson	Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. White  Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Nairn	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

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11. Supply—Estimates, 1934-35.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Remainder of Vote-" The Parliament, £105,460"-

Vote-" The Prime Minister's Department, £350,110"-

Ordered to be considered together.

Votes debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At fifteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired—

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed. Vote—"The Department of the Treasury, £723,480"—

Mr. Makin moved, as an amendment, That the amount be reduced by £1.

Debate ensued.

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight-

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Debate continued.

Limitation of Debate.—At fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Vote had expired—

Question—That the amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put. The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 32.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. James	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. A. G. Cameron	
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Bernard Corser	
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Fisken	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Frost		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Garden	Tellers:	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Gander	Mr. Hawker	Mr. Street
Mr. Holloway	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Thorby
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		Mr. Jennings	
	•	Mr. Lane	Tellers:
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thomas Collins
		Mr. McCall	Mr. Nairn

And so it was negatived.

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

12. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,

Governor-General.

Message No. 5.

A Proposed Law intituled "Appropriation (Works and Services) Act 1934" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Law.

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

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Clark, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Marr, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Watkins.

E. W. PARKES,

- Clerk of the House of Representatives.