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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1934.

- 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.
- MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—TRADE TREATY NEGOTIATIONS WITH NEW ZEALAND.—Sir Henry Gullett (Minister directing negotiations for Trade Treaties), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the result of the recent Trade Treaty negotiations with New Zealand.
- PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1933-34.
Ordered to be printed.
Audit Act—Transfers of amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial year 1933-34—Dated 28th November, 1934.
Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 96.
Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 149.
Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 142.
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinances of 1934—
No. 14—Licensing of Boats.
No. 15—Crown Lands (No. 2).
Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—
Health Ordinance—Nuisance Prevention Regulations Amended.
Public Service Ordinance—Regulations Amended.
- SUPPLY—ESTIMATES, 1934-35.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—"The Department of Defence, £4,187,040"—debated—

Limitation of Debate.—At six minutes past five o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Vote had expired—

Question—That the Vote be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 29.

Noes, 16.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Noek
Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Street
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. John Lawson	
Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. McBride	

*Tellers:*Mr. Nairn
Mr. Thompson

Mr. Beasley
Mr. Brennan
Mr. Drakeford
Mr. Forde
Mr. Frost
Mr. Garden
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. Lazzarini

Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Ward
Mr. Watkins

*Tellers:*Mr. Blackburn
Mr. Gander

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Vote—"The Department of Health, £106,670"—debated—

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

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

4th December, 1934.

Vote—"The Department of Commerce, £349,490"—debated—

Limitation of Debate.—At twenty-eight minutes past eight o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Vote had expired—

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

Vote—"Miscellaneous Services, £1,151,040"—debated—

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

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

Vote—"Refunds of Revenue, £1,150,000"—

Vote—"Advance to the Treasurer, £2,000,000"—

Vote—"War Services payable out of Revenue, £1,077,190"—

Ordered to be considered together.

Mr. Mulcahy moved, as an amendment, That the amount of the Vote—"War Services payable out of Revenue, £1,077,190"—be reduced by £1.

Debate ensued.

Limitation of Debate.—At thirteen minutes past ten 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 amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.

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

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander
Mr. James	Mr. Martens

Noes, 31.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Nock
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Parkhill
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Street
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. John Lawson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Nairn
Mr. McBride	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the Votes 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.

5. ESTIMATES, 1934-35—ALTERATION TO ALLOTMENT OF TIME.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the consideration of the following, in connexion with the Estimates 1934-35, viz. :—

Vote—Commonwealth Railways;

Vote—Postmaster-General's Department;

Vote—Northern Territory;

Vote—Federal Capital Territory;

Vote—Papua;

Vote—Norfolk Island;

Supply Resolution, and adoption of Resolution;

Ways and Means Resolution, and adoption of Resolution;

Appropriation Bill—All stages;

be postponed until to-morrow.

Question—put and passed.

6. 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 twenty minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Aubrey Abbott, Mr. Baker, Mr. Barnard, Sir Donald Cameron, Mr. Clark, Mr. Thomas Collins, Mr. Bernard Corser, Mr. Josiah Francis, Mr. Roland Green, Sir Littleton Groom, Mr. Hunter, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. G. W. Mahoney, Mr. Makin, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Marr, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Scholfield.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.