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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1935.

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—AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT.—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement replying to certain statements contained in the Auditor-General's Report regarding the Accounts of the Commonwealth.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ARMS AND AMMUNITION.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the 1925 Convention of the League of Nations for the Supervision of the International Trade in Arms and Ammunition, and informed the House of the operations of the firm of Nobel (Australasia) Proprietary Limited.
4. THE LATE MRS. PATTIE DEAKIN.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mrs. T. W. White, daughter of the late Mrs. Pattie Deakin, a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of sympathy.
5. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Beasley 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 necessity for a review of the agreement under which sugar is sold retail to the people of Australia at 4d. a lb., to be undertaken by a Select Committee of this House, aided by expert assistance, and clothed with the full powers of a Royal Commission, to report upon the circumstances which led to the Government's decision to renew the Sugar Agreement eighteen months before its expiry, and to report upon the financial position of the Colonial Sugar Refining Company Limited".

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. Beasley 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, 12.

Mr. Beasley
Mr. Clark
Mr. Garden
Mr. James
Mr. Lane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Nairn
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Ward

Tellers:

Mr. Frost
Mr. Gander

Noes, 47.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Makin
Mr. Baker	Sir Charles Marr
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McBride
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McEwen
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Forde	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Price
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Riordan
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scullin
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street
Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. George Lawson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

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

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

Dried Fruits Export Charges Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 15.
 Nationality Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 157.
 Wheat Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 17.
 Wheat Growers Relief Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 16.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—LOAN APPROPRIATION (UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF) BILL (1935).—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. 17.

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 amend the *Loan Appropriation (Unemployment Relief) Act 1934*.

Canberra, 13th March, 1935.

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 (Acting Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Loan Appropriation (Unemployment Relief) Act 1934*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Casey, by leave, was adopted by the House.

8. LOAN APPROPRIATION (UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF) BILL (1935).—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Mulcahy 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.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. Parkhill 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, 31.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Scholfeld
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. John Lawson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McBride	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 18.

Mr. Baker	Mr. James
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Fordo	
Mr. Garden	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Frost
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 31.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Earle Page
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Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. John Lawson	
Sir Charles Marr	
Mr. McBride	

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner
Mr. Thompson

Noes, 17.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Clark	Mr. Ward
Mr. Drakeford	
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. James	

Tellers:

Mr. Frost
Mr. Gander

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Frederick Stewart, Mr. Thorby, and Mr. Watkins.

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