THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. OF

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 21st MARCH, 1935.

- 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. Paper.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Bank Act—Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank and Commonwealth
Savings Bank and Statement of the Liabilities and Assets of the Note Issue Department, as at 31st December, 1934; together with Auditor-General's Reports thereon.

3. Adjournment-Motion for Purpose of Discussion.—Mr. Forde 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 parlous condition of the cotton industry, due to frequent changes in Government policy, and the granting of by-law concessions on cotton piece goods and yarns that could be manufactured 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. Forde moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Forde not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order

Ordered—That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.

Debate continued.

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

Mr. Thompson

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 34.

Noes, 28.

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Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall	Mr. Baker	Mr. Holloway
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Barnard	Mr. James
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn		Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock	Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. Makin
Mr. Fisken	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Clark	Mr. Martens
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Mulcahy
	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Prowse		Mr. Scullin
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Frost	
	Mr. Street	Mr. Garden	Tellers:
Mr. Jennings	Mr. White	Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Lane	en 11	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. John Lawson	Tellers:		J
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Mr. McBride

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

Aye	s, 25.	Noes	, 34.
Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall
Mr. Barnard	Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. A. G. Cameron	
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Martens	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Fisken	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price ·
Mr. Frost		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Garden	m 11	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Albert Green	Tellers:	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Street
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Jennings	Mr. White
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		Mr. John Lawson	Tellers:
		Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. McBride	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

- 4. Paper.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—Public Service Act—Appointment of G. L. Facy, Department of Health.
- 5. Sales Tax Procedure Bill (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section three of the Sales Tax Procedure Act 1934 and to insert in that Act a new section twelve A. Question—put.

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

Ayes	s , 37.	No	es, 24.
Mr. A. G. Cameron Sir Donald Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Littleton Groom Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane	Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Street Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. Thompson	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark 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 Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Casey then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

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Ayes	, 38.	Noes	, 24.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Sir Donald Cameron Mr. Casey	, 38. Sir Charles Marr Mr. McBride	22	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. G. W. Mahoney Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander
Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Street Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. Thompson	Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey asked leave to move, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put.

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

Aye	es, 38.	Noes	, 24.
Mr. A. G. Cameron Sir Donald Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken	Mr. McCall Mr. McClelland Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark 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 Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the Members of the House.

Mr. Earle Page moved, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day. Question—put.

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

Ayes, 37.	Noes	, 24.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Sir Donald Cameron Mr. McCall Mr. McEwen Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Littleton Groom Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson Mr. John Lawson Sir Charles Marr Mr. McClelland Mr. McEwen Mr. McEwen Mr. McEwen Mr. Nock Mr. Nock Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill Mr. Prowse Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Street Mr. White Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Gardner Mr. Gardner Mr. Thompson	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Forde 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.

6. LOAN (FARMERS' DEBT ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister), pursuant to leave given on the 14th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain sums of money to provide for the Grant of Financial Assistance to the States in the making of payments to or for the benefit of Farmers, and for other purposes", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Earle Page moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

7. Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 1) (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer), pursuant to leave given on the 14th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend sections three, twenty, twenty-six, forty-five, forty-eight, forty-nine, and seventy-three of the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 1) 1930-1934'", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

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8. Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 9) (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer), pursuant to leave given on the 14th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to insert in the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 9) 1930-1933 'a new section two A, and to amend sections four, six, nine and twelve of that Act", and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

9. Sales Tax Procedure Bill (1935).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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.

10. Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 1) (1935).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Forde 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.

11. Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 9) (1935).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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.

12. LOAN (FARMERS' DEBT ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition) 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.

- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the remaining Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 2 to 4, Government Business.
- 14. Customs Tariff Validation Bill (1935).—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff Proposals.

Question—put and passed. Mr. White 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.

15. Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Validation Bill (1935).—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Adjustments in Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Proposals.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. White 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.

16. Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Validation Bill.—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Proposals.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. White 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.

17. 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.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved inself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 debated—

Mr. Mulcahy moved, as an amendment, That after "pounds" (page 1, line 17) the following words be added:—"Any batteries erected in the Northern Territory arising out of this grant shall be operated and controlled by the Commonwealth Government."

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Closure. -Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) 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, 2	29.	Noes,	18.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. A. G. Cameron Gir Donald Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Roland Green Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson	Mr. McClelland Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Street Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Clark Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson
Mr. McCall	Mr. Gardner	1	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

	Ayes, 18.	Noe	es, 28.
Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Clark Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	Mr. A. G. Cameron Sir Donald Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Roland Green Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Mr. McCall	Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4-

Mr. Beasley moved, as an amendment, That after proposed new section 9 the following new section be inserted:—

"9A. Any sum expended by the Commonwealth under this Act, or granted to a State under this Act, shall be subject to the condition that in the payment of wages the industrial award in regard to such wages and conditions of employment of the State or Territory concerned shall be observed.".

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight-

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Question —That the proposed new section be inserted in the clause—put. The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

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	Ayes, 18.	Noes	, 28.
Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Clark Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Holloway Mr. James	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Fisken Mr. Roland Green	

Mr. Lazzarini rising to address the Committee-Closure.—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) 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)—

Aye	es, 28.		Noes, 18.
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Roland Green Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson	Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Street Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Gardner	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Clark Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the clause be agreed to—was put accordingly, and 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, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Closure.-Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) 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)—

Aye	es, 29.		Noes, 18.
Mr. A. G. Cameron Sir Donald Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. J. V. Fairbairn Mr. Fisken Mr. Roland Green Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Clark Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Holloway	Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Ward
Mr. Hughes Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Mr. McCall Mr. McClelland	Mr. Stacey Mr. Street Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Gardner	Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen 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—Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Frederick Stewart, Mr. Thorby, and Mr. Watkins.

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