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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

No. 42.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 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. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Taxation Seventeenth Report of the Commissioner of Taxation, year 1933-34 and part 1934-35.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Forde:—That this House strongly condemns the Government for
 - (1) Its flagrant neglect of its duty to the people by failing to call Parliament together for more than 39 days in twelve months.
 - (2) Not having met Parliament earlier, thereby prejudicing Parliamentary control over taxation and expenditure by necessitating the passage of a further Supply Bill before the Budget can be passed.
 - (3) Its failure to provide and put into effect a bold, progressive policy to deal with the unemployment problem on a national basis.
 - (4) Its irresponsible attitude to the drift that is taking place in the overseas trade balance.
 - (5) Its failure to formulate a permanent plan for the relief of the primary producers—

Debate resumed.

Closure.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) 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, 40.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fisker	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Prowse
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Holt	Mr. Street
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Gardner
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 24.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Barnard	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	Mr. D. O. Watkins
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 39.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall
Mr. Barnard	Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Bensley	Mr. W. Maloney	Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Martens	Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward	Mr. Fiske	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Forde	Mr. D. O. Watkins	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Garden		Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Price
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. Hawker	Mr. Street
		Mr. Holt	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Hughes	Mr. White
		Mr. Hunter	
		Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
		Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. McBride	

And so it was negatived.

4. CUSTOMS TARIFF VALIDATION BILL (No. 2) (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.

Mr. White moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. White, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

5. CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) VALIDATION BILL (No. 2) (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.

Mr. White moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. White, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

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6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SPECIAL ANNUITY 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. 37.

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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of an Annuity to the Widow of the late Senator the Honourable Sir Walter Kingsmill.

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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 (Assistant Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of an Annuity to the Widow of the late Senator the Honourable Sir Walter Kingsmill.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Casey moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Casey, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Casey and Mr. Hunter do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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.

Mr. Casey 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.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3, Government Business.

8. SUPPLY RESOLUTION—SUPPLY BILL.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1935–36.

Mr. Casey (Assistant Treasurer) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1935–36 a sum not exceeding £4,531,540.

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

Debate ensued.

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.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., 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—Mr. Frost, Mr. Gregory, Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. John Lawson, Mr. Makin, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Scullin, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.