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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 57.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 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, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Sales Tax—Copy of Communications from Master Tailors' Associations in regard to Sales Tax Legislation.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—ITALO-ABYSSINIAN DISPUTE.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the action proposed by the Commonwealth Government in regard to the application of Sanctions against Italy.
4. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—TRADE WITH BELGIUM.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to Trade relations between Australia and Belgium.
5. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—QUALITY OF EXPORT PRODUCTS.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement replying to recent criticisms by Sir Stanley Argyle in regard to the quality of Australian Export Products.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c., 1935—
No. 19—Australian Postal Electricians' Union; and Postal Electricians Supervisors and Foremen's Association, Postmaster-General's Department, Commonwealth of Australia.
No. 20—Fourth Division Officers' Association of the Trade and Customs Department.
Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 102.
Public Service Act—List of Permanent Officers of the Commonwealth Public Service (excluding the State Branches of the Postmaster-General's Department) as on 30th June, 1935.
7. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were received, and were read by Mr. Speaker:—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 54.

A Proposed Law intituled "*Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1935*" 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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ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 55.

Proposed Laws intituled—

- “ *Invalid and Old-age Pensions Appropriation Act 1935* ”
 “ *Supplementary Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Act 1933-34* ”
 “ *South Australia Grant Act 1935* ”
 “ *Western Australia Grant Act 1935* ”
 “ *Tasmania Grant Act 1935* ”
 “ *Sales Tax (Financial Relief) Act 1935* ”
 “ *States' Grants Act 1935* ”

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 Laws.

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8. SUPPLY [BUDGET DEBATE].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

General debate resumed on the question (see page 265), That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I.—The Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances £7,379

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Curtin, That the first item be reduced by £1.

Mr. E. J. Harrison addressing the Committee and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—

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

Debate continued.

Mr. Barnard addressing the Committee and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—

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

Debate continued.

Mr. Rosevear addressing the Committee and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—

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

Debate continued.

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.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seven 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. Aubrey Abbott, Mr. Frost*, Mr. Gregory*, Sir Henry Gullett*, Mr. Hutchinson*, Mr. John Lawson*, Mr. Makin*, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Perkins*, Mr. Scholfield, and Sir Frederick Stewart*.

* On leave.

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