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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

No. 58.

THURSDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 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. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the reasons for the proposed transfer of the Royal Military College from Paddington, Sydney, to Duntroon, Federal Capital Territory.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Customs Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 103.
Raw Cotton Bounty Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 105.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF GENERAL BUSINESS.—Ordered—That General Business be postponed until Thursday, 21st November.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—MEAT EXPORT CONTROL BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 56.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six 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 relating to the Export of Meat.

Canberra,
30th October, 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. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to the Export of Meat.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Earle Page 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. Earle Page, was adopted by the House.

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

Mr. Earle Page 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. Earle Page moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Curtin (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.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES OF MOTION.—Ordered—That Notices of Motion Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 3, Government Business.

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7. **WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL (1935).**—Mr. Thorby (Minister in charge of War Service Homes) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *War Service Homes Act 1918-1934*.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Thorby 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. Thorby moved, by leave, 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.

8. **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PRIMARY PRODUCERS RELIEF BILL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 71.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to provide for Financial Assistance to the States in the provision of Relief to Primary Producers, and for other purposes* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 31st October, 1935.

9. **SANCTIONS BILL.**—Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the application of Sanctions against Italy.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 38.

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

Noes, 23.

Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Clark	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scullin
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
Mr. Lazzarini	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Menzies 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)—

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McCall
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

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

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr. Menzies moved, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the second reading to be moved forthwith.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 39.

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Mr. Blackburn
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Mr. Ward
Mr. D. O. Watkins

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. George Lawson

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner
Mr. Thompson

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

Mr. Menzies moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Curtin (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.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—WHALING BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 72.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act relating to Whaling*", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,
Canberra, 31st October, 1935.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message 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.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 2, Government Business.

12. SUGAR AGREEMENT 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 approve an Agreement made between His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and His Majesty's Government of the State of Queensland, and for other purposes.

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.

Mr. White 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.

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.

13. ORANGE BOUNTY BILL.—Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister), pursuant to leave given on the 23rd instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of a Bounty on the Export of Oranges from the Commonwealth to the United Kingdom*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Thorby moved, by leave, 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.

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14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business.
15. **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 1.—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. Thomas Collins 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. Riordan reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

16. **WHEAT AND WHEAT PRODUCTS BILL.**—Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister), pursuant to leave given on the 23rd instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Trade and Commerce with other Countries and among the States in Wheat and Wheat Products*", 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. **SUPPLY [BUDGET DEBATE].**—The House, according to Order, again 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 1.—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.

Question—That the item proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.

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

Ayes, 20.

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

Noes, 27.

Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Stacey
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Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lane	
Mr. McCall	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McClelland	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

First item agreed to.

Remainder of Vote—"The Parliament, £114,690"—

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.

18. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
- Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at thirteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.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*, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Perkins*, Mr. Scholfield, and Sir Frederick Stewart*.

* On leave.

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