THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

PROCEEDINGS VOTES

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 1937.

- 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. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING .- Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow. Question—put and passed.
- 3. Ministerial Statement-Sino-Japanese Crisis. Mr. Menzies (Minister representing the Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement reviewing recent important developments of the Sino-Japanese crisis.
- 4. Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Bill (1937). Mr. Hughes (Minister for Repatriation) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend sections forty-five AD, forty-five AE, forty-five AG, forty-five AX and forty-five AO of the Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act 1920 -1936.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Hughes 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. Hughes 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 to 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7 debated-

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the following be added to the clause: - " and (b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

(4.) Where a pensioner is an annual contributor to such public institutions, no deduction

whatever shall be made from his pension.".

Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Clause agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

5. Supply Bill (No. 2) 1937-38.—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. Beasley addressing the House 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.

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Mr. Ward addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 2578—

Mr. James moved, That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.

Question—put.

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

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Member named and suspended.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for East Sydney (Mr. Ward) for repeatedly interjecting in defiance of the Chair.

Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the honorable Member for East Sydney (Mr. Ward) be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 35.		Noes, 20.	
Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Sir Archdale Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Street	Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark Mr. Curtin Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Garden Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway	Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini Mr. G. W. Mahoney Mr. Martens Mr. William Riordan Mr. Scully Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The honorable Member was, therefore, under Standing Order No. 59, suspended for the remainder of the day's sitting, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Debate continued.

Mr. Holt 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. Message from the Senate.—Dairy Produce Export Control Bill (1937).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 17.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to amend section four of the Dairy Produce Export Control Act 1924-1936", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

Burford Sampson, Deputy-President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st September, 1937.

Mr. Casey (Treasurer) 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.

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7. Message from the Senate.—Dried Fruits Export Control Bill (1937).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker.

Message No. 18.

Deputy-President.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to amend section four of the Dried Fruits Export Control Act 1924-1935", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

BURFORD SAMPSON,

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st September, 1937.

Mr. Casey (Treasurer) 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.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight-

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8. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:--

[Invalid and Old-age Pensions Bill (1937)]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 19.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend sections twenty-four, thirty-one, forty-five and forty-seven of the 'Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1936'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Burford Sampson, Deputy-President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st September, 1937.

[Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Bill (1937)]---

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 20.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend sections forty-five AD, forty-five AB, forty-five AB, forty-five AB and forty-five AO of the "Australian Soldiers" Repatriation Act 1920-1936 ", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Burford Sampson, Deputy-President.

The Senate,

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9. Adjournment.—Sir Archdale Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute 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—Mr. Fisken, Mr. Makin, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Scholfield, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.