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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 50.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1938.

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. DEATH OF LORD STANLEY.—Sir Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, by leave, That this House expresses its deep regret at the death of the Right Honorable Lord Stanley, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, places on record its appreciation of his distinguished service to the British Commonwealth, and tenders to his widow and family its profound sympathy in their sad bereavement and also to the United Kingdom Government in the loss which it has sustained.
And Mr. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
Resolved—That Mr. Speaker be requested to transmit the foregoing Resolution, together with a copy of the speeches delivered thereon, to Lady Stanley and to the United Kingdom Government.
3. LOAN COUNCIL—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Sir Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement regarding the subjects to be discussed at the meeting of the Loan Council to be held on Friday, 21st October.
Mr. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
4. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Sir Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
5. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented—
Fourth General Papers Index, including Presented Papers, Committee Reports, Returns to Order, &c., of both Houses, during the Sessions 1929-30-31, 1932-33-34, 1934-35-36-37 and 1937 (12th, 13th, and 14th Parliaments).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Australian Imperial Force Canteens Funds Act—Eighteenth Annual Report by the Trustees, for year 1937-38 (including the Sir Samuel McCaughey Bequest for the Technical Education of Soldiers' Children).
Papua Act—Ordinances of 1938—
No. 10—Appropriation 1938-1939.
No. 11—Prisons.
No. 12—Superannuation.
6. INTER-STATE COMMISSION BILL 1938.—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. Brennan 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.
Sir Henry Gullett 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. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1938-39.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 43.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for " *An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., and to appropriate such sum* ", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 19th October, 1938.

J. B. HAYES,
President.

19th October, 1938.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-four minutes to ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Badman*, Mr. Blain, Mr. Collins, Mr. Jolly, Mr. Lyons, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Scholfield, and Mr. Scully.

* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.