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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 60.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 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. ANGLo-ITALIAN AGREEMENT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement regarding the commencement of the Anglo-Italian Agreement.
3. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Forde rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The manufacture in Australia of motor-car engines and chassis".

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Forde moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Forde 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 ensued.

Mr. Rosevear 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.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 257B.

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Sugar Agreement—Seventh Annual Report of Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee, for year ended 31st August, 1938.
Tariff Board—Reports and Recommendations—
Blades for Hand Hack Saws.
Brasswork, Bronzework and Gunmetal Work.
Toilet Paper.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment of J. F. Nimmo, Department of the Treasury.

Judiciary Act—Rule of Court, dated 27th October, 1938.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Hobart, Tasmania—For Health purposes.

Nationality Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, No. 103.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, No. 107.

Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, No. 106.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—MOTOR INDUSTRY BOUNTY BILL 1938.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 46.

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 to provide for the Payment of a Bounty on the Production of Parts of Motor Vehicles.

Canberra, 19th October, 1938.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

16th November, 1938.

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

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Perkins (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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 a Bounty on the Production of Parts of Motor Vehicles.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Perkins moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

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

Mr. Perkins 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. Perkins 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 a later hour this day.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—NATIONAL HEALTH AND PENSIONS INSURANCE BILL (No.2) 1938.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 47.

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 to enable the Period intervening between the coming into operation of the *National Health and Pensions Insurance Act 1938* and the Commencement of Liability for Contributions in respect of Insurance under that Act to be taken into account for the purposes of Qualification for Sickness Benefit and Disablement Benefit, and to make other provisions incidental thereto.

Canberra, 16th November, 1938.

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 (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of Revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to enable the Period intervening between the coming into operation of the *National Health and Pensions Insurance Act 1938* and the Commencement of Liability for Contributions in respect of Insurance under that Act to be taken into account for the purposes of Qualification for Sickness Benefit and Disablement Benefit, and to make other provisions incidental thereto.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Casey moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being 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. Lyons 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. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—MINISTERS OF STATE BILL 1938.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 48.

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 to amend the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1938*.

Canberra, 10th November, 1938.

16th November, 1938.

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. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1938*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Lyons moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lane addressing the House, and having been repeatedly called to order for irrelevance, Mr. Speaker directed the honorable Member to discontinue his speech.

Mr. Brennan moved, That the honorable Member be given leave to continue his speech.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued.

Mr. McCall 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Casey (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four minutes to 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. Curtin, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jolly, Mr. Maloney, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. Scholfield, Mr. Spender, and Mr. White.

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