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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 85.

THURSDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1947.

- The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petitions.—Petitions, praying that no further steps should be taken by the Government towards the nationalization of the banking system without first seeking the authority of the Australian people, were presented as under:-

By Mr. Adermann, from certain electors of the Division of Maranoa, and

By Mr. Anthony, from certain electors of the Division of Richmond.

Petitions severally received and read.

- 3. STATEMENT BY MEMBER—LEAVE TO MAKE NOT GRANTED.—Mr. Holt asked leave to make a Statement. Objection being raised, leave not granted.
- 4. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Health—R. J. Preiss. Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Ordinances—1947—
No. 8—Industrial Board.
No. 9—Police.

5. ROYAL STYLE AND TITLES BILL (AUSTRALIA) 1947.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to assent to an Alteration in the Royal Style and Titles of His Majesty the King.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Chifley 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. Chifley moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Menzies (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 Order of the Day.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

7. Dairy Produce Export Control Bill 1947.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4-

Mr. Francis moved, as an amendment, That sub-section (2.) of proposed section 4 be omitted with a view to inserting the following sub-section in place thereof:-

"(2.) The Board shall consist of-

(a) one member (in this Act referred to as 'the Government representative') who shall be appointed by the Governor-General as the representative of the Commonwealth Government;

(b) one member who shall be appointed by the Governor-General upon the nomination of the Australian Council of The Australian Institute of Dairy Factory Managers and

(c) two representatives elected by the owners of proprietary butter and cheese factories

and privately-owned butter and cheese factories;

(d) two representatives of co-operative butter and cheese factories in each of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland, and one representative of co-operative butter and cheese factories in each of the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, elected as prescribed; and

(e) one representative of each of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, elected by the producers in each

of those States.".

Debate ensued.

Question—That the sub-section proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 39.			Noes, 26.		
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mrs. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chambers Mr. Chifley Mr. Conelan Mr. Daly Mr. Dedman Mr. Drakeford Mr. Duthie Mr. Edmonds Mr. Falstein Mr. Fraser Mr. Hadley Mr. Haylen Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson Mr. Lang	Mr. Langtry Mr. Lawson Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. McLeod Mr. Mulcahy Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehy Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Williams Tellers: Mr. Fuller Mr. Sheehan	Mr. Abbott Mr. Adermann Mr. Anthony Mr. Bowden Mr. Cameron Mr. Davidson Mr. Fadden Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Gullett Mr. Hamilton Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Howse	Mr. Hutchinson Dame Enid Lyons Mr. McBride Mr. Menzies Sir Earle Page Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Spender Mr. Turnbull Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Corser Mr. McDonald		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Francis moved, as an amendment, That sub-section (9.) of proposed section 4 be omitted with a view to inserting the following sub-section in place thereof:-

"(9.) At the first meeting of the Board which shall be held at a time and place notified in the Gazette by the Minister, the Board shall appoint one of its members to be the Chairman of the Board.".

Debate continued.

Question—That the sub-section proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)-

	Ayes, 39.		Noes, 27.
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mrs. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chambers Mr. Chifley Mr. Conelan Mr. Daly Mr. Dedman Mr. Drakeford Mr. Duthie Mr. Edmonds Mr. Falstein Mr. Fraser Mr. Hadley Mr. Haylen Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson Mr. Lang	Mr. Langtry Mr. Lawson Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. McLeod Mr. Mulcahy Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehy Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Williams Tellers: Mr. Fuller Mr. Sheehan	Mr. Abbott Mr. Adermann Mr. Anthony Mr. Bowden Mr. Cameron Mr. Davidson Mr. Fadden Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Gullett Mr. Hamilton Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Howse Mr. Hughes	Mr. Hutchinson Dame Enid Lyons Mr. McBride Mr. Menzies Sir Earle Page Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Spender Mr. Turnbull Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Corser Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to. Clauses $\tilde{5}$ to 7 agreed to. 23rd October, 1947.

Clause 8-

Mr. Adermann moved, as an amendment, That paragraph (b) be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

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

Ayes, 37.		Noes, 25.		
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mrs. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chambers Mr. Chifley Mr. Conelan Mr. Daly Mr. Dedman Mr. Drakeford Mr. Edmonds Mr. Falstein Mr. Fraser Mr. Hadley Mr. Haylen Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson Mr. Lang	Mr. Langtry Mr. Lawson Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. McLeod Mr. Mulcahy Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehy Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Williams Tellers: Mr. Fuller Mr. Sheehan	Mr. Abbott Mr. Adermann Mr. Anthony Mr. Bowden Mr. Cameron Mr. Davidson Mr. Fadden Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Gullett Mr. Hamilton Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Howse	Mr. Hughes Dame Enid Lyons Mr. McBride Mr. Menzies Sir Earle Page Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Spender Mr. Turnbull Tellers: Mr. Corser Mr. McDonald	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Remaining clauses, by leave, taken together and agreed to, after debate.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Sheehy reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Pollard (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

8. Leave of Absence to Member.-Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) moved, by leave, That leave of absence for one month be given to the honorable Member for Parramatta (Mr. Beale), on the ground of ill-health. Question—put and passed.

9. SALARIES (STATUTORY OFFICES) ADJUSTMENT BILL 1947.—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.

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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Burke reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 258) the Bill was read a third time.

10. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1947.—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. Francis 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.

- 11. Postponement of Business.—Ordered—That the intervening business be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 16, Government Business.
- 12. Banking Bill 1947.—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—

Suspension of Standing Orders.-Mr. Harrison moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) from concluding his speech without interruption.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the Members of the House.

Debate resumed on the motion.

Mr. Williams 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. Message from the Senate.—Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:— Message No. 72. MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate acquaints the House of Representatives that, in accordance with the provisions of the Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946, Senator O'Sullivan has been appointed to fill the vacancy now existing on the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings.

GORDON BROWN,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 23rd October, 1947.

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

And then the House, at four minutes to 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. Beale*, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Gaha, Mr. James, Mr. McEwen and Mr. Scullin.

* On leave.

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