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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 95.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1947.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Anthony presented a Petition from certain electors of the Divisions of Richmond and New England, 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. Petition received and read.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That leave of absence for one month be given to the Attorney-General and Minister for External Affairs (Mr. Evatt), on the ground of urgent public business.
Question—put and passed.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Twenty-first Annual Report of the Australian Canned Fruits Board, for year 1946-47, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Labour and National Service—E. C. Hing.
Commonwealth Railways Act—Report on Commonwealth Railways Operations for year 1946-47.
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—Charters Towers, Queensland.
Meat Export Control Act—Twelfth Annual Report of the Australian Meat Board, for year 1946-47, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1947—No. 10—Canberra Community Hospital (No. 2).
5. UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT—SECOND SESSION OF PREPARATORY COMMITTEE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the Report of the Second Session of the Preparatory Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment, incorporating the draft charter of a proposed International Trade Organization, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—
United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment—Second Session of Preparatory Committee—Ministerial Statement—
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
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.

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6. 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—

Debate resumed.

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lang
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Burke	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Calwell	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Chifley	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Clark	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Conelan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Daly	Mr. Russell
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Scully
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Ward
Mr. Falstein	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Williams
Mr. Gaha	
Mr. Hadley	
Mr. Haylen	
Mr. Holloway	

Tellers:

Mr. Fuller
Mr. Sheehan

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Mr. Abbott	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Adermann	Mr. McBride
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Cameron	Sir Earle Page
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Spender
Mr. Francis	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Gullett	Mr. White
Mr. Hamilton	
Mr. Harrison	
Mr. Holt	
Mr. Howse	
Mr. Hughes	

Tellers:

Mr. Corser
Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Clark reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes past 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. Beale*, Mr. Evatt*, Mr. James, Mr. Langtry, Dame Enid Lyons and Mr. Scullin*.

* On leave.

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