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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 97.

THURSDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1947.

1. 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. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Bank Act—Appointment—H. A. Butler.
4. WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL (No. 2) 1947.—Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *War Service Homes Act* 1918-1946, as amended by the *Commonwealth Public Service Act* 1947 and the *War Service Homes Act* 1947.
Question—put and passed.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business.
6. BANKING 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 9 to 25 further debated.

Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) moved, as an amendment, That after "*Gazette*" (clause 13, page 4, line 35) the words "not earlier than one month after this Act comes into operation" be inserted.

Debate continued.

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Limitation of Debate.—At half-past nine o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for Part IV. had expired—

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

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

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 37.	
Mr. Abbott	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lang
Mr. Adermann	Mr. McBride	Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen	Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Brennan	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Cameron	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Burke	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Calwell	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Chifley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gullett	Mr. White	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Russell
Mr. Hamilton		Mr. Daly	Mr. Scully
Mr. Harrison		Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Holt	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Howse	Mr. Corser	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hughes	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Falstein	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Fraser	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Gaha	
		Mr. Hadley	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Haylen	Mr. Fuller
		Mr. Holloway	Mr. Sheehan
		Mr. Johnson	

And so it was negatived.

Further question—That clauses 9 to 25 be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 37.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lang	Mr. Abbott	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Adermann	Mr. McBride
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Brennan	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Bowden	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Burke	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Cameron	Sir Earle Page
Mr. Calwell	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Conelan	Mr. Russell	Mr. Gullett	Mr. White
Mr. Daly	Mr. Scully	Mr. Hamilton	
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Mr. Johnson			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clauses 26 to 36, by leave, taken together.

Debate ensued.

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. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-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. Francis, Mr. James, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Lawson, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. Scullin* and Mr. Spender.

* On leave.

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

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ERRATUM SLIP.

Votes and Proceedings of 14th November, 1947, No. 98, page 347, first column :--the words " (second time occurring) " printed opposite Tariff Item 168 should appear opposite Tariff Item 169 (A) (2).
