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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 137.

FRIDAY, 4TH JUNE, 1948.

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. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—Regents Park, New South Wales.
3. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES (NATIONAL STANDARDS) BILL 1948.—Mr. Dedman (Minister in charge of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Weights and Measures.  
Question—put and passed.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 1) 1948-49.—  
The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—  
W. J. MCKELL,  
*Governor-General.* *Message No. 30.*  
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 purpose of a 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 forty-nine, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure.  
Canberra, 3rd June, 1948.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.
5. SUPPLY—SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 1) 1948-49.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the service of the year 1948-49, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure, a sum not exceeding £9,797,000.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Clark reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Lemmon 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. Lemmon, was adopted by the House.

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6. WAYS AND MEANS—SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 1) 1948-49.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure for the year 1948-49, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £9,797,000.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Clark reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Lemmon, was adopted by the House.

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

7. SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 1) 1948-49.—Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A 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 forty-nine, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

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

Mr. Harrison (Acting 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.

8. INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT BILL 1948.—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. Adermann moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

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

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Abbott	Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Harrison
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Holt
Mr. Beale	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davidson	Mr. White
Mr. Fadden	
Mr. Falkinder	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Francis	Mr. Corser
Mr. Gullett	Mr. McDonald

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Langtry
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Calwell	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Conelan	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Daly	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Russell
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Scully
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Ward
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Williams
Mr. Hadley	
Mr. Haylen	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	Mr. Fuller
Mr. Lang	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr. Adermann was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Pollard (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes past one o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Blain, Mr. Burke, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lazzarini, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. McBride, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Spender, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Watkins.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.