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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 75.

FRIDAY, 11TH MARCH, 1949.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Industries in Australia—Reports by the Division of Industrial Development of the Department of Post-war Reconstruction, on—
  - Agricultural Implement Industry.
  - Furniture Industry.
  - Heavy Electrical Engineering Industry.
  - Rayon Weaving Industry.
  - Rubber Industry.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
 The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—Hoxton Park, New South Wales.
3. SEAMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL 1949.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Dedman (Minister representing the Minister for Shipping and Fuel) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Mr. Beale 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.
4. SHIPPING BILL 1949.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—  
 Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 15 further debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Beazley	Mr. McLeod
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Calwell	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Russell
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Hadley	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Haylen	Mr. Watkins
Mr. James	
Mr. Johnson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Daly
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Fuller

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Mr. Beale	Mr. Hughes
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Cameron	Dame Enid Lyons
Mr. Davidson	Mr. McBride
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holt	Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Howse	Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 16 agreed to.

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Clause 17 debated—

Mr. Harrison moved, as an amendment, That the following proviso be added to sub-clause (4.) :—  
“ Provided that no known or suspected Communist shall be appointed to any position in the service of the Board.”.

Debate continued.

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

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The House resumed ; Mr. Sheehy reported accordingly.

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

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

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Abbott, Mr. Adermann, Mr. Burke, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Langtry, Mr. McEwen, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Spender, Mr. Ward, Mr. White and Mr. Williams.

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F. C. GREEN,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*