

1950-51.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 90.

FRIDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1951.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. PRIVILEGE.—Mr. Kent Hughes raised a matter of Privilege, based on newspaper reports and a particular document, with reference to directions to certain Members of Parliament as to how they should vote and act in Parliament. Mr. Kent Hughes produced copies of the papers and the document and moved, That any attempt by any person or authority to direct or instruct a Member of Parliament as to what he shall or shall not say, or as to how he shall or shall not vote in Parliament is an attempt to induce a Member to violate his oath of allegiance, is a contempt of Parliament and a breach of Privilege. This House is therefore of opinion that every person elected to it is and should be absolutely free to speak and to cast his vote according to his judgment of the facts presented to him in debate and according to his conscience, and that these matters be referred for investigation and report to the Committee of Privileges.

Debate ensued.

Member ordered to withdraw from House.—Mr. Bryson having been grossly disorderly after warnings had been given by the Chair, Mr. Speaker ordered the honorable Member to withdraw from the House.

The honorable Member accordingly withdrew.

Debate continued.

Member re-admitted to House.—Mr. Bryson, having apologized to the Chair for his earlier conduct, was re-admitted to the House.

Closure.—Mr. Gullett moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 57.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Handby	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley
Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. C. W. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Spender	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
	Mr. Grayden	Mr. McBride	Mr. Timson	

NOES, 27.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

16th March, 1951.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 57.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Handby	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley
Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Egging	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. C. W. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Spender	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
	Mr. Grayden	Mr. McBride	Mr. Timson	

NOES, 26.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Thompson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Australian National University Act—Report of the Interim Council for period 1st August, 1946 to 31st December, 1949.
Canned Fruits Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 14.
Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1951, No. 12.
Public Service Arbitration Act—Determination—1951—No. 17—Musicians' Union of Australia.
4. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (No. 2) 1951.—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.)

Bill, as a whole, debated.

Mr. Wentworth addressing the Committee—

Closure of Member moved.—Mr. Ward moved, That the honorable Member be not further heard.

Question—put and negatived.

Several Members rising to address the Committee—

Closure.—Mr. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 56.

Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Egging	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. C. W. Russell	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Spender	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Davis	Mr. Handby	Mr. McBride	Mr. Swartz	
	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Timson	

NOES, 25.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 57.

Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Berry	Mr. Egging	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. C. W. Russell	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Spender	Mr. Gullett
	Mr. Handby	Mr. McBride	Mr. Swartz	

16th March, 1951.

NOES, 25.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be reported without amendment—put.

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

AYES, 56.

Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. C. W. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Spender	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Davis	Mr. Handby	Mr. McBride	Mr. Timson	
	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley	

NOES, 25.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Report be adopted.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 56.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Berry	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. C. W. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Spender	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Davis	Mr. Handby	Mr. McBride	Mr. Timson	
	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley	

NOES, 24.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Spender (Minister for External Affairs) 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.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 54.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howse	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hughes	Sir E. Page	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Beale	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Berry	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pittard	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. C. W. Russell	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Spender	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Timson	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Handby	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley	
Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar	
		Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull	

NOES, 25.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

16th March, 1951.

Mr. Spender moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

NOES, 53.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Townley
Mr. C. G. W. Anderson	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Eiggins	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. T. W. White
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pittard	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. C. W. Russell	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Gilmore	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Spender	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Davidson
	Mr. Handby	Mr. McCollm	Mr. Timson	Mr. Gullett

AYES, 25.

Mr. G. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. C. R. Cameron
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Costa	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy		

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

5. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr. Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter.

Question—put and passed.

6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

7. ADJOURNMENT—COUNT-OUT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Mr. Ward called the attention of Mr. Speaker to the fact that a quorum of Members was not present. The Bells having been rung, and a quorum not having been obtained within the prescribed time, Mr. Speaker thereupon, at six minutes to three o'clock p.m., adjourned the House until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter as determined by Resolution of the House at this sitting.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bird, Mr. Bostock, Mr. W. M. Bourke, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Davies, Mr. Dean, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Fairhall, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Eric J. Harrison, Mr. Holloway, Mr. James, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Keon, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leslie, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. McLeay, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Mullens, Mr. F. H. D. Russell, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Watkins.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

1950-51.

MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE
GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received after the adjournment of the House on the 16th March, 1951.

ASSENT TO BILLS.

W. J. McKELL,
Governor-General.

Message No. 53.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

“ *Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1951* ”

“ *National Service Act 1951* ”

“ *Customs Tariff Validation Act 1951* ”

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,
Canberra, 17th March, 1951.