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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 18.

FRIDAY, 13TH JULY, 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. AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING COMMISSION—APPOINTMENT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Anthony (Postmaster-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement announcing the appointment of the Hon. Dame Enid Lyons, G.B.E., as a member of the Australian Broadcasting Commission.
3. DRAFT PACIFIC SECURITY PACT AND DRAFT JAPANESE PEACE TREATY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the draft Security Treaty for the Pacific Area agreed to by Australia, New Zealand and the United States of America, and also informed the House of the agreement reached on the terms of a draft Peace Treaty with Japan.
Mr. Casey then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—
Draft Security Treaty for the Pacific Area between Australia, New Zealand and the United States of America,
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Mr. Haylen 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. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (3).
Flax Canvas Bounty Act—Return for year 1950–51.
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinances—1951—
No. 2—Post and Telegraph.
No. 3—Coroners (Validation).
No. 4—Advisory Council.
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Civil Aviation—E. J. Kelly.
Raw Cotton Bounty Act—Return for 1950.
Sulphur Bounty Act—Return for year 1950–51.
Tractor Bounty Act—Return for year 1950–51.
5. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FIRST REPORT.—Mr. Wilson, Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate). The Report was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, and other Papers, motions for the printing of which lapsed with the close of the Session in March last, recommend that the following be printed:—

International Monetary Agreements Act—Annual Report on operations of the Act, and insofar as they relate to Australia, of the International Monetary Fund Agreement and the International Bank Agreement, for year 1949–50.

Nauru—Report to General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of Nauru for year 1949–50.

New Guinea—Report to General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of New Guinea for year 1949–50.

Postmaster-General's Department—Fortieth Annual Report, for year 1949–50.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act—First Annual Report of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority for period ended 30th June, 1950.

K. CAMERON WILSON,
Chairman.

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Mr. Wilson moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

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6. DEFENCE BILL 1951.—Mr. Francis (Minister for the Army) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Defence Act 1903-1950*.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Francis then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Francis moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Francis, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Francis moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

7. MINISTERS OF STATE BILL 1951.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), pursuant to leave given on the 10th July, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Ministers of State Act 1935-1947 ’* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Menzies moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 59.

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| Mr. Adermann | Mr. Drummond | Mr. Eric J. Harrison | Mr. Luck | Mr. Townley |
| Mr. Anthony | Mr. Drury | Mr. Hasluck | Mr. McCole | Mr. Treloar |
| Mr. Bate | Mr. Eggins | Mr. Haworth | Mr. McDonald | Mr. Turnbull |
| Mr. Beale | Sir A. Fadden | Mr. Holt | Mr. McEwen | Mr. Wentworth |
| Mr. Berry | Mr. Failes | Mr. Howse | Mr. McMahan | Mr. Wheeler |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Hughes | Mr. Menzies | Mr. Wilson |
| Mr. Brimblecombe | Mr. Fairhall | Mr. Hulme | Mr. Opperman | |
| Mr. Brown | Mr. Falkinder | Mr. Jack | Mr. Osborne | |
| Mr. Casey | Mr. Francis | Mr. Kekwick | Sir E. Page | |
| Mr. Cramer | Mr. Freeth | Mr. Kent Hughes | Mr. Pearce | |
| Mr. Davis | Mr. Graham | Mr. Lawrence | Mr. Ryan | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr. Dean | Mr. Grayden | Mr. Leslie | Mr. Swartz | Mr. Davidson |
| Mr. Downer | Mr. Hamilton | | Mr. Timson | Mr. Gullett |

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| Mr. Beazley | Mr. Costa | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Joshua | Mr. Pollard |
| Mr. W. M. Bourke | Mr. Crean | Mr. Galvin | Mr. McLeod | Mr. Rosevear |
| Mr. Bruce | Mr. Cremean | Mr. Griffiths | Mr. Minogue | Mr. Ward |
| Mr. Bryson | Mr. Curtin | Mr. E. James | Mr. Morgan | Mr. Watkins |
| Mr. Calwell | Mr. Drakeford | Harrison | Mr. Mulcahy | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr. Clarey | Mr. Duthie | Mr. Haylen | Mr. O'Connor | Mr. Daly |
| Mr. Clark | Mr. Fitzgerald | Mr. James | Mr. Peters | Mr. Sheehan |

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. Adermann reported accordingly.

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

8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—MINISTERS OF STATE BILL 1951.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

W. J. MCKELL,
Governor-General.

Message No. 13.

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 purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1947*.

Canberra, 5th July, 1951.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

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

13th July, 1951.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1947*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Menzies, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

9. **MINISTERS OF STATE BILL 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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. **CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (NO. 2) 1951.—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.**—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendments made by the Senate in this Bill—

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

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments, which are as follows:—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 6, line 29, after “ to ” insert “ orders or awards made by the Court under the *Stevedoring Industry Act 1949* (including orders made under section thirty-four of that Act) and ”.

No. 2.—Page 2, clause 6, lines 35 to 40, omit proposed sub-section (4.).

No. 3.—Page 5, clause 11, line 44, after “ and ” insert “ made by the Court under any provision of the *Stevedoring Industry Act 1949* (including section thirty-four of that Act) or ”.

No. 4.—Page 6, clause 11, lines 1 to 5, omit proposed sub-section (6.).

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service), the Amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the House adopted the Report.

11. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Appointments—Attorney-General's Department—L. J. Curtis, J. G. Siely, W. L. Thomson.
12. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS.**—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) 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.
13. **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) 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.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Mr. Daly addressing the House—
Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the Question be now put.
Question—That the Question be now put—put and passed.
And the Question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., adjourned 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. Bostock, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davies, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Evatt, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Keon, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McBride, Mr. McLeay, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Russell and Mr. B. M. Wight.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.