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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 65.

TUESDAY, 13TH MAY, 1952.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. IMPOSITION OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS—LETTERS OF CREDIT—DAVID JONES LIMITED—STATEMENT.—
Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Statement regarding certain letters of credit obtained by David Jones Limited prior to the imposition of import restrictions on 8th March.
Mr. Ward asked leave to make a Statement in connexion with the matter.
Objection being raised, leave not granted.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Postmaster-General's Department—Forty-first Annual Report, for year 1950-51.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 34.

Air Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 30.

Bankruptcy Act—Twenty-third Annual Report by the Attorney-General, for the year ended 31st July, 1951.

Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 26.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, Nos. 29, 31.

Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—

National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Order—Inventions and designs.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, Nos. 27, 28.

High Commissioner Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 21.

Life Insurance Act—Sixth Annual Report of the Insurance Commissioner, for 1951.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 25.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—

Ordinances—

1951—No. 5—Lottery and Gaming.

1952—

No. 1—State Children.

No. 2—Oaths.

No. 3—Prisons.

No. 4—Jurors and Witnesses Payment.

No. 5—Nurses and Midwives Registration.

No. 6—Mining.

No. 7—Interpretation.

No. 8—Pharmacy.

No. 9—Local Courts.

No. 10—Health.

No. 11—Marine.

No. 12—Alice Springs Administration.

No. 13—Darwin Administration.

No. 14—Traffic.

No. 15—Jury.

No. 16—Lottery and Gaming.

Regulations—1951—No. 9 (Darwin Administration Ordinance).

Pharmaceutical Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 22.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

Defence Production—H. F. A. Hergt, C. E. Newbery, D. J. Nichols.

Interior—M. E. Redman, J. W. Sleep.

Repatriation—F. Catarinich.

Works and Housing—J. L. Chittleborough.

Re-establishment and Employment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, Nos. 32, 33.

Trading with the Enemy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 24.

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4. SEAMEN'S WAR PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES BILL 1952.—Mr. Anthony (Minister representing the Minister for Shipping and Transport) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1950*.

Question—put and passed.

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

Mr. Clarey 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.

5. LAND TAX ASSESSMENT BILL 1952.—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.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 56.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McBride	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Berry	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Jack	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Joske	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. McMahan	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Luck	Sir E. Page	Tellers:
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth		Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham		Mr. Robertson	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden		Mr. Ryan	Mr. Gullett

NOES, 45.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Davies	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan	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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and debated.

Mr. Mullens rising to address the Committee—

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) 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, 53.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Luck	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McBride	Mr. Timson
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. McMahan	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Tellers:
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth		Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham		Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett

NOES, 42.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Davies	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report.

Sir Arthur Fadden asked leave to move, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Ordered—That the third reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Thompson rising to address the House—

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison 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, 53.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McBride	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Holt	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth		Mr. Roberton	Mr. Gullett

Noes, 40.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Davies	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at nine minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Treloar, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Wight.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.