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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 112.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 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. WERRIWA ELECTORAL DIVISION—ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that it was his intention to issue a Writ, on Tuesday, the 28th October next, for the Election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Werriwa, in the State of New South Wales, in the place of the Honorable Hubert Peter Lazzarini, deceased. The dates in connexion with the Election would be fixed as follows :—

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| Date of Issue of Writ | | Tuesday, 28th October, 1952. |
| Date of Nomination | | Monday, 10th November, 1952. |
| Date of Polling | | Saturday, 29th November, 1952. |
| Date of Return of Writ | | On or before Tuesday, 23rd December, 1952. |
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1952, No. 86.
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Return of land disposed of under section 63.
 - Overseas Telecommunications Act—Sixth Annual Report of the Overseas Telecommunications Commission (Australia) for the year ended 31st March, 1952, together with financial accounts.
 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 - Attorney-General—R. W. Brown, H. L. Higginson, A. E. Ingle, J. P. Warry.
 - External Affairs—F. J. Jacka, G. Major.
 - Supply—R. W. S. Carlson, R. M. Huntington, H. McBride, R. J. Skevington.
 - Public Service Arbitration Act—Determination—1952—No. 66—Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia and others.
 - Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunals Nos. 1 and 3—Reports for year 1951-52.
 - Whaling Industry Act—Third Annual Report of the Australian Whaling Commission, for period 1st July, 1951 to 31st March, 1952.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

W. J. McKELL,
Governor-General. *Message No. 91.*

Proposed Laws intituled :—
 " *Appropriation Act 1952-53* "
 " *Appropriation (Works and Services) Act 1952-53* "
 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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,
Canberra, 10th October, 1952.
5. ALIENS BILL 1952.—Mr. Holt (Minister for Immigration) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Aliens Act 1947*.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Holt 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. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Calwell 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.

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6. SEAMEN'S WAR PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES BILL (No. 2) 1952.—Mr. Hasluck (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*, as amended by the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1952*.

Question—put and passed.

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

Mr. Calwell 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.

7. WOOL REALIZATION (DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS) 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 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.*)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden 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.—WOOL REALIZATION (DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS) BILL 1952.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

W. J. McKELL,
Governor-General.

Message No. 92.

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 *Wool Realization (Distribution of Profits) Act 1948*.

Canberra, 16th September, 1952.

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.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. McEwen (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Wool Realization (Distribution of Profits) Act 1948*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

9. WOOL REALIZATION (DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS) BILL 1952.—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. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. McEwen (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 3, Government Business.

11. OIL AGREEMENT 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.

Ordered—That Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Mr. Bruce 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.

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12. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Cotton Bounty Bill 1952*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 135.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Cotton Bounty Act 1951’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 14th October, 1952.

[*Wheat Export Charge Bill 1952*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 136.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Wheat Export Charge Act 1948’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 14th October, 1952.

[*States Grants (Administration of Controls Reimbursement) Bill 1952*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 137.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to make provision for the grant of Financial Assistance to the States in connexion with the administration of the Control of Prices and Rents* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 14th October, 1952.

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 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. Adermann*, Mr. Anthony*, Mr. Bostock, Mr. Bryson, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Crean, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Drury, Mr. Duthie*, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Keon, Mr. McDonald*, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Mullens, Mr. O'Connor*, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Peters, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Rosevear* and Mr. Timson.

* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.