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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1930.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
- 2. Member Sworn.—William Wilson Killen, Esquire, made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 3. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bills.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:-

STONEHAVEN,

 $Governor ext{-} General.$

Message No. 17.

Proposed Laws intituled :-

"Australian Industries Preservation Act 1930"

"Land Tax Assessment Act (No. 2) 1930,"

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, 14th April, 1930.

4. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Reparations-Agreements relating to Reparations concluded at the Hague Conference, January, 1930.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Export Guarantee Act—Return showing assistance granted to 31st March, 1930.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Fitzroy, Victoria—For Commonwealth Bank purposes.

New Guinea Act—Ordinance of 1930—No. 10—Mining (No. 2) (in substitution for Ordinance tabled on 12th March, 1930).

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, Nos. 25, 27, 28. Spirits Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, No. 35.

Treaty of Peace (Germany) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, No. 39. Workmen's Compensation Act-Regulations Amended-Statutory Rules 1930, No. 40.

5. GERMAN NATIONALS—PROPERTY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS—AGREEMENT—PRINTING OF PAPER.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) laid upon the Table, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, the following Paper:-

Agreement between the Commonwealth Government and the Government of the German Reich regarding the release of property rights and interests of German nationals subject to the charge created in pursuance of the Treaty of Versailles;

and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Mr. Latham 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.

6. WINE EXPORT BOUNTY BILL (1930).—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 13-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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(In the Committee.)

Mr. Forde (Acting Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of Bounty on the Export of Fortified Wine, and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Mr. Forde moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Forde, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Forde and Mr. Theodore do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Forde 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. Forde moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Thomas Paterson 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. COTTON INDUSTRIES BOUNTY BILL.—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.

Suspension of Sitting.—At a quarter-past five o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair in order to enable honorable Members to listen to the wireless telephone conversation between the Prime Minister of Great Britain and the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth inaugurating the wireless telephone service between Great Britain and Australia.

Resumption of Sitting .- At half-past seven o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Debate continued.

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.)

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

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

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

8. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Boorabbin, Western Australia—For Defence purposes.

Public Service Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, No. 34.

9. Adjournment.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at a quarter past ten 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. Anstey, Mr. Bayley, Mr. Bell, Mr. Chifley, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Fenton*, Mr. Frost, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jones, Mr. Martens, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. McNeill, and Mr. Prowse.

• On leave.

E. W. PARKES, Clerk of the House of Representatives.