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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 31.

MONDAY, 23RD MAY, 1932.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Gardner, for the Chairman, brought up the Report from the Joint Select Committee on Public Accounts, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 14.*

A Proposed Law intituled " *Commonwealth Bank Act 1932* ", 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 Law.

Government House,  
Canberra, 21st May, 1932.

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Australian Trade Commissioner in Canada—Report for 1931.  
Debts, Inter-Governmental—Suspension of payment for one year—  
Protocol in relation to Germany, dated 11th August, 1931.  
Protocol in relation to Czechoslovakia, dated 11th August, 1931.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Bankruptcy Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1932, No. 43.  
Cotton Industries Bounty Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1932, No. 49.  
New Guinea Act—Ordinance of 1932—No. 6—Native Labour.  
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1932—No. 14—Advisory Council.

5. CRIMES BILL (1932).—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.  
Mr. Gabb having called the attention of Mr. Speaker to the fact that a quorum of Members was not present, Mr. James immediately left the Chamber.  
On a quorum being formed and Mr. James having returned to the Chamber—  
Mr. Speaker drew the attention of the House to the fact that no Member can leave the Chamber while a quorum is being formed.  
Debate continued.  
Mr. James addressing the House and not having concluded his speech—the House ordered that the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.  
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

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6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—COTTON INDUSTRIES BOUNTY BILL (1932).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 15.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 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 purpose of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Cotton Industries Bounty Act 1930*.

Canberra, 9th May, 1932.

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. Gullett (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purpose of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Cotton Industries Bounty Act 1930*.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Mr. Gullett 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. Gullett, was adopted by the House.

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

Mr. Gullett 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. Gullett moved, 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.*)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Gullett, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

7. CRIMES BILL (1932).—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.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

TUESDAY, 24TH MAY, 1932.

Debate continued.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 28.

Noes, 11.

Mr. Bell	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Jennings
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lane
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Casey	Mr. Marr
Mr. Dein	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Fenton	Mr. McBride
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Nairn
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. McNicoll

Mr. Baker
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Martens
Mr. Scullin

*Tellers:*

Mr. Gabb
Mr. E. C. Riley

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2—

On the motion of Mr. Bruce (Assistant Treasurer), the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 1, lines 10–14, omit—

“ at the end of sub-section (1.) the following paragraph :—

‘ ; (c) Any body of persons, incorporated or unincorporated, declared by the High Court or the Supreme Court of a State, in pursuance of the next succeeding section, to be an unlawful association.’ ”,

insert—

“ after sub-section (1.) the following sub-section :—

‘ (1A.) Without limiting the effect of the provisions of the last preceding sub-section, any body of persons, incorporated or unincorporated, which is, in pursuance of the next succeeding section, declared by the High Court or the Supreme Court of a State to be an unlawful association shall be deemed to be an unlawful association for the purposes of this Act.’ ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 3—

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 2, lines 7–9, omit “ shall be by summons which may contain averments setting out the facts relied upon in support of the application ”, insert

“—(a) shall be made on the ground that the body of persons to which it relates is one which is described in sub-section (1.) of the last preceding section ; and

(b) shall be by summons which may contain averments setting out the facts relied upon in support of the application ”.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lane
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Casey	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Dein	Mr. McBride
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Perkins
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	
Mr. Hawker	
Mr. Hutchin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Guy

Noes, 10.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Martens
Mr. Scullin

*Tellers:*

Mr. James
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clause 5 agreed to.

Clause 6—

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, the following amendments were made :—

Page 3, line 25, omit “ issued ”, insert “ printed ”.

Page 3, line 29, omit “ and ” (second occurring), insert “ or ”.

On the motion of Mr. Nairn, the following further amendments were made, after debate :—

Page 3, line 32, omit “ shall ”, insert “ may ”.

Page 3, lines 34–36, omit “ which is used or operated by or on behalf of, or in the interests of, any unlawful association ”, insert “ from which is broadcast—

(a) any propaganda or advocacy in favour of any object specified in sub-paragraphs (i) to (iii) of paragraph (a) of sub-section (1.) of section thirty A of this Act ; or

(b) any seditious matter ”.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, the following further amendments were made, after debate :—

Page 3, line 36, omit “ shall ”, insert “ may ”.

Page 3, lines 38–40, omit sub-section (2.), insert—

“ (2.) For the purposes of this section—

‘ broadcasting station ’ means a station for the purpose of broadcasting messages by means of wireless telegraphy ;

‘ seditious matter ’ means any propaganda or matter disclosing a seditious intention as defined by section twenty-four A of this Act.”

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Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.  
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 10.
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lane	Mr. Baker
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Forde
Mr. Casey	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Dein	Mr. McBride	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nairn	Mr. James
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Scullin
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield	
Mr. E. J. Harrison		<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker		Mr. Martens
Mr. Hutchin	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Guy	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That clauses 7 and 8 be considered together.

Clauses 7 and 8 debated—

Question—That the clauses be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 10.
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lane	Mr. Baker
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Forde
Mr. Casey	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Dein	Mr. McBride	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nairn	Mr. James
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Scullin
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield	
Mr. E. J. Harrison		<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker		Mr. Martens
Mr. Hutchin	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Guy	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

*New clause—*

On the motion of Mr. E. F. Harrison, the following new clause was inserted in the Bill, after debate :—

1A. Section three of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from the Definitions. definition of "Commonwealth officer" the words "or Military" and inserting in their stead the words " , Military or Air ".

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, by leave, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

8. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. this day.

Question—put and passed.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eighteen minutes past three o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Aubrey Abbott, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Thomas Collins, Mr. Bernard Corser, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Gander, Mr. Hill, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter\*, Mr. Latham\*, Mr. John Lawson, Mr. Makin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Nock, Mr. Price, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Stacey, Mr. Frederick Stewart, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Ward, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. White.

\* On leave.

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