

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 30.

FRIDAY, 29TH MARCH, 1935.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Tariff Board—Reports and Recommendations—
Agricultural Implements.
Brasswork, Bronzework and Gunmetal Work for general engineering and plumbing and other trades—Item 192. Brass Articles and Articles composed substantially of Brass, covered by Tariff Item 208 (A).
Cresylic Acid.
Electro-Surgical Units for cutting, coagulation and desiccation.
Felt Capelines for Girls' and Women's Hats; Hats, Berets, Caps and Bonnets.
Fishbolts; Bolts, Nuts, Rivets and Metal Washers, n.e.i.; Screws with nuts or for use with nuts; Engineers' Set Screws; Rail-dogs or Brobs, Spikes.
Iron and Steel Wire of No. 15 or finer gauge (Imperial Standard Wire Gauge).
Motor Body Panels.
Sugar Machinery.
Woven Artificial Silk Piece Goods in the grey and sized.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Garden rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The parlous condition facing the workers in the wool-scouring and fellmongering industry, making it necessary for the Government immediately to arrange some form of financial assistance."
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. Garden moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Closure.—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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 negatived.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Gold Bounty Act—Return for 1934.
Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1935—No. 1—Medical Practitioners Registration.
Public Service Act—Appointment of E. M. Payne, Department of Trade and Customs.
6. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:—
[*Loan Appropriation (Unemployment Relief) Bill (1935)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 22.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Loan Appropriation (Unemployment Relief) Act 1934'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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[*Dried Fruits Export Control Bill (1935)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 23.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend section twelve of the 'Dried Fruits Export Control Act 1924-1934'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 29th March, 1935.

[*Canned Fruits Export Control Bill (1935)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 24.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Canned Fruits Export Control Act 1926-1934'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 29th March, 1935.

[*Dried Fruits Bill (1935)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 25.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Dried Fruits Act 1928-1933'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 29th March, 1935.

7. NAVIGATION BILL (1935).—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 by Mr. Holloway, who moved, as an amendment, That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—

"this House is of opinion that it is unnecessary and unjustified to interfere in the manner proposed in this Bill with the established national policy of maintaining and extending an Australian mercantile marine service subject to the legislative control of this Parliament and conforming to Australian industrial standards, and that no attempt to redress the grievances of Tasmania, in respect of its shipping disabilities, will satisfy this House or the people unless it proposes—

(a) To secure to that State immediately by means of conditional subsidies an equitable reduction of shipping freights and fares; and

(b) To institute, as soon as practicable, a Commonwealth-owned service providing direct and frequent communication between Tasmanian ports and the ports of the mainland;

and this House is further of opinion that the Bill should be withdrawn, and a new Bill, embodying provisions as to wireless telegraphy apparatus and reduction of shipping freights and fares, be introduced at once".

Debate continued.

Mr. Frost 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.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Drakeford, Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. John Lawson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Frederick Stewart, Mr. Thorby, and Mr. Watkins.

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