

1934-35.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 45.

TUESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1935.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION.—Mr. Scullin announced that owing to ill-health he had resigned the office of Leader of the Opposition.  
Mr. Curtin informed the House that he had been appointed Leader of the Opposition.  
Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) and Mr. Beasley, by leave, made Statements with reference to the matter.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—AERODROME SITE AT RABAU, NEW GUINEA.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to allegations concerning the alleged compulsory acquisition of land at Rabaul, New Guinea, for the purposes of an aerodrome.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Annual Report for year 1934-35, together with Schedule of Recommendations.  
Ordered—That the Report be printed.  
Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Seventh Annual Report of the Wine Overseas Marketing Board, for year 1934-35, together with Statement by the Minister regarding the operation of the Act.  
Ordered to be printed.  
Canberra University College—Report for year 1934.  
Iron and Steel Products Bounty Act—Return for year 1934-35.  
Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1935, Nos. 85, 91.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4, Government Business.
6. MINISTERS OF STATE 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.  
Mr. Beasley moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "That" be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted with a view to inserting a provision that the proposed additional Minister of State shall have his duties confined solely to unemployment".  
Debate continued.  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.  
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 35.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Barnard	Mr. W. Maloney
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Fisker	Mr. Price	Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Garden	Mr. D. O. Watkins
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Street	Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Holt	Mr. Thorby	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White		
Mr. Hunter			
Mr. Jennings			
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. McCall	Mr. Thompson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Ayes, 35.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Barnard	Mr. W. Maloney
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nock	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Fiske	Mr. Price	Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Garden	Mr. D. O. Watkins
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Mr. Hunter			
Mr. Jennings			
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. McCall	Mr. Thompson		

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.)*

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated—

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That all words after “exceeding” be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the words “Twelve thousand six hundred pounds” in place thereof.

Debate continued.

Mr. Ward addressing the Committee and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—

Mr. James moved, That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Martens	Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Clark	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Ward	Mr. Fiske	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Forde	Mr. D. O. Watkins	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Garden		Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Albert Green		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Street
Mr. James	Mr. Gander	Mr. Holt	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Hughes	Mr. White
		Mr. Hunter	
		Mr. Lane	
		Mr. Lyons	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. McCall	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

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

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fiskén	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
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Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Holt	Mr. Street
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Gardner
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 22.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Barnard	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	Mr. D. O. Watkins
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question That the clause be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
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Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Forde	Mr. D. O. Watkins
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gander
Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Schedule agreed to.

Title

Question That the Title be the Title of the Bill—put.

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

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McClelland
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Earle Page
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Mr. Drakeford	Mr. D. O. Watkins
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, *see* page 278) the Bill was read a third time.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SEAT OF GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATION) BILL (1935).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 56.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1930–1934 ’* ”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,  
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st October, 1935.

Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

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

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS BILL (1935).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 57.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Parliamentary Papers Act 1908 ’* ”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,  
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st October, 1935.

Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

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

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—TRADE MARKS BILL (1935).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 58.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend section one hundred and fifteen of the ‘ Trade Marks Act 1905–1934 ’* ”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,  
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st October, 1935.

Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

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

10. FINANCIAL RELIEF 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. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition), who moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “ That ” be omitted, and the following words be inserted in lieu thereof:—“ the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide for such alterations as would, without increasing the appropriation, provide for the complete restoration of the reductions in invalid and old-age pensions which were effected in the Principal Act ”.

Debate continued.

Mr. G. W. Mahoney 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.

11. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past two o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

Question—put and passed.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at half-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. Blackburn, Mr. Frost, Mr. Gregory, Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. John Lawson, Mr. Makin, Mr. McBride, Mr. Perkins, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

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