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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 65.

FRIDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1935.

1. The House met, at half-past eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—SIR CHARLES KINGSFORD SMITH.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the progress made in carrying out a search for Air-Commodore Sir Charles Kingsford Smith, missing on an aeroplane flight between England and Australia.
3. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
4. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT.—Mr. Casey (Treasurer), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to certain statements made by the Auditor-General in his report upon the Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1935.
5. AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS' REPATRIATION BILL (1935).—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Repatriation) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act 1920-1934*.
Question—put and passed.
6. ORANGE 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.
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.)

Clauses 1 to 5 agreed to.

Clause 6—

Mr. James proposing to move, as an amendment, That the word "Two" (page 2, line 10) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "Three" in place thereof—

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman (Mr. Prowse) ruled that such an amendment would be out of order, as its effect would be to increase the amount of the appropriation required.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 7 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 8 to 12 agreed to.

Proposed new clause—

Mr. James moved, That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill :—

8A. A payment of bounty shall not be made under this Act unless the claimant for that bounty is paying his employees a minimum wage equal to the basic wage rate in the State.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lane addressing the Committee—

Closure moved.—Mr. Barnard moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Closure moved.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 17.	
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall	Mr. Baker	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price	Mr. Garden	Mr. D. O. Watkins
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Thorby	Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. White	Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker		Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Holt	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Gardner	Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. McEwen		
Mr. Lane			

There not being the number of Ayes requisite in accordance with the Standing Order, the Chairman announced that the motion for the closure had not been carried.

Debate on new clause continued.

New clause negatived.

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister), the House adopted the report.

Mr. Thorby asked leave to move, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 58.

A Proposed Law intituled " *Sanctions Act 1935* " 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.

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8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—MEAT EXPORT CONTROL BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 74.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for " *An Act relating to the Export of Meat* ", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

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P. J. LYNCH,
President.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to five 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. Aubrey Abbott, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Fiskin, Mr. Frost*, Mr. Roland Green, Sir Henry Gullett*, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchinson*, Mr. John Lawson*, Mr. G. W. Mahoney, Mr. Makin*, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. McBride, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Perkins*, Mr. Scholfield, Mr. Stacey, and Mr. Thompson.

* On leave.

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