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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 89.

THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1947.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Francis presented a Petition from certain electors of the Division of Moreton, praying that no further steps should be taken by the Government towards the nationalization of the banking system without first seeking the authority of the Australian people.
Petition received and read.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1947—
 - No. 78.—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia and others.
 - No. 79.—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia and Commonwealth Temporary Clerks' Association.
 - No. 80.—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia and others.
 - No. 81.—Australian Workers' Union.
 - No. 82.—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia and others.
 - Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Labour and National Service—A. A. Willats.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the intervening business be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 19 and 20, Government Business.
5. CUSTOMS BILL 1947.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading.—Mr. Pollard (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Harrison 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. NEW ZEALAND RE-EXPORTS BILL 1947.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Pollard (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Harrison 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.

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7. BANKING BILL 1947.—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.

Distinguished Visitor.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Right Honorable The Earl of Scarbrough, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., a Member of the House of Lords, was within the precincts. The distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honorable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.

Debate continued.

Mr. Gaha 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. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beale*, Mr. Evatt, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. Rankin and Mr. Scullin*.

* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.