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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 85.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1920.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. QUARANTINE BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Greene 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.
 Clauses 3 to 10 agreed to.
 Clause 11 debated and agreed to.
 Clauses 12 to 21 agreed to.
 Clause 22 debated and agreed to.
 Clauses 23 and 24 agreed to.
 Clause 25 debated and agreed to.
 Clauses 26, 27, and 28 agreed to.
 Title agreed to.
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL (1920).—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 54.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'War Service Homes Act 1918-1919,'*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the amendment made by the House of Representatives inserting new clause 15 ; and has agreed to the amendment inserting new clause 16 with the amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule.

The Senate desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to new clause 16.

The Senate,
 Melbourne, 6th October, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS,
 President.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—WESTRALIAN FARMERS AGREEMENT BILL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 55.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to approve the Agreement made between His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and Basil Lathrop Murray, of Perth, in the State of Western Australia, Managing Director of the Westralian Farmers Limited, and for other purposes,*" to which it has agreed without amendment.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 6th October, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS,
President.

5. PAPUA BILL (1920).—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. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.
Title agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Poynton, the House adopted the Report.
Mr. Poynton moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stage to be passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
On the motion of Mr. Poynton, the Bill was read a third time.

6. CENSUS AND STATISTICS BILL (1920).—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. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 8 agreed to.
Clause 9 debated and agreed to.
Clause 10 agreed to.
Title agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Poynton, the House adopted the Report.
Mr. Poynton moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stage to be passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
On the motion of Mr. Poynton, the Bill was read a third time.

7. KALGOORLIE TO PORT AUGUSTA RAILWAY LANDS BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.
On the motion of Mr. Groom, the following clause was added to the Bill to follow clause 1 :—
"1A. Section four of the *Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railways Lands Act 1918* ^{Lands held under lease.} is amended by omitting the words 'and the land so specified shall be deemed to be vested in the Commissioner'."

Title agreed to.
Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly.
Mr. Groom 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.
On the motion of Mr. Groom, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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8. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Deputy of the Governor-General's Message No. 35—

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

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Groom, after debate—That it is expedient that an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund be made for the purposes of amendments providing for the salaries of the members of the Board of Management in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Public Service Act 1902-1918*.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly.

The said resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Groom, was adopted by the House.

9. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (1920).—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. West 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 to-morrow.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the intervening Orders of the Day be postponed until after Order of the Day, No. 16, Government Business.

11. JUDICIARY BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Charlton 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 to-morrow.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the intervening Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 1, Government Business.

13. GENERAL POST OFFICE, ADELAIDE—APPROVAL OF CARRYING OUT OF WORK.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works having furnished its Report, it is expedient to carry out the following works :—Additions and alterations to the General Post Office building, Adelaide, South Australia.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Groom moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four minutes 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. Atkinson, Mr. Bayley, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bowden*, Mr. Donald Cameron, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Considine, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Hay, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Makin, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Watt, and Mr. Wienholt.

* On leave.

WALTER A. GALE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.