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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 119.

FRIDAY, 5TH JULY, 1946.

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. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. BROADCASTING COMMITTEE—FOURTEENTH REPORT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Francis, Vice-Chairman, brought up the Fourteenth Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Broadcasting, and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction) 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.
4. JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*, the following Members be appointed members of the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings, viz.:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Corser, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Holt and Mr. Sheehan.
Question—put and passed.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Royal Highness the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

HENRY,

Governor-General.

Message No. 52.

A Proposed Law intituled "*Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*" 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 Royal Highness has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Law.

Government House,
Canberra, 5th July, 1946.

6. AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY BILL 1946.—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.)

Clause 1—

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY BILL 1946.—The following Message from His Royal Highness the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Mulcahy:—

HENRY,

Governor-General.

Message No. 53.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of an amendment to be moved by the Minister for Post-war Reconstruction in a Bill for an Act to establish and incorporate a University in the Australian Capital Territory.

Canberra, 4th July, 1946.

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Ordered: That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Mulcahy left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of an amendment to be moved by the Minister for Post-war Reconstruction in a Bill for an Act to establish and incorporate a University in the Australian Capital Territory.

Question put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Dedman, by leave, was adopted by the House.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 87.

The Senate acquaints the House of Representatives that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*, the following Senators have been appointed members of the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings, viz., the President of the Senate (Senator Brown) and Senators Arnold and Gibson.

GORDON BROWN,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 5th July, 1946.

9. JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS—FIRST REPORT.—Mr. Speaker, Chairman, presented the First Report from the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings. The Report is as follows:—

FIRST REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS.

In accordance with section 12 (1.) of the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*, the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings has considered and has specified the general principles upon which there should be determined the days upon which, and the periods during which, the proceedings of the Senate and the House of Representatives shall be broadcast.

The Joint Committee submits the following report for presentation to each House of the Parliament and recommends its adoption:—

(1) *Days upon which proceedings shall be broadcast.*

The proceedings of Parliament shall be broadcast on each day on which either House is sitting.

(2) *Periods during which proceedings shall be broadcast.*

The broadcast shall commence on each sitting day at the time fixed for the meeting of the House whose opening proceedings are to be broadcast on that day as determined by the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings in accordance with section 12 (2.) of the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*, and shall cease when the adjournment is moved in the House which is being broadcast at that time.

(3) *Allocation of broadcasting time between the Senate and the House of Representatives.*

The allocation of broadcasting time between the Senate and the House of Representatives shall be in accordance with the views of the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings, or its Sub-Committee, on the importance of the impending debate and the public interest attaching thereto. The Committee recognizes that in practice more time will be allotted to the House of Representatives than to the Senate.

(4) *Re-broadcast of questions without notice and answers.*

Within the limits of time available, questions without notice and answers in each House shall be re-broadcast between 7.20 p.m. and 7.55 p.m. on each sitting day.

(5) *Broadcast and re-broadcast through national stations.*

No broadcast or re-broadcast of the proceedings of either House shall be made except through national broadcasting stations unless the Joint Committee otherwise determines.

J. S. ROSEVEAR,
Chairman.

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Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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10. AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY BILL 1946.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7—

On the motion of Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction), the following amendments were made :—

Page 2, line 31, at end of paragraph (a) add “, to be known as ‘ The John Curtin School of Medical Research ’ ”.

Page 2, line 34, omit paragraph (d), insert the following paragraph :—

“ (d) a Research School of Pacific Studies.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 8 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 9 to 25 agreed to.

Clause 26—

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the following amendment was made :—

Page 7, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause :—

“ (2.) The Statutes may provide for empowering any authority (including the Council) or officer of the University to make by-laws, rules or orders (not inconsistent with this Act or with any Statute) for regulating, or providing for the regulation of, any specified matter (being a matter with respect to which Statutes may be made) or for carrying out or giving effect to the Statutes, and any such by-law, rule or order shall have the same force and effect as a Statute.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 27—

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the following amendments were made :—

Page 8, line 5, omit “ publication ”, insert “ notification ”.

Page 8, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause :—

“ (5.) The Statutes shall be numbered consecutively in the order in which they are notified in the *Gazette*, and a notice in the *Gazette* of the fact that a Statute has been made and specifying the number of the Statute shall be sufficient compliance with the requirement of sub-section (1.) of this section that the Statute shall be notified in the *Gazette*.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 28—

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the clause was omitted, and the following clause inserted in place thereof :—

“ 28.—(1.) There shall be payable to the University—

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(a) in each financial year during the period of five years commencing on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and forty-six—such sum not exceeding Three hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds, as the Treasurer is satisfied is necessary to meet the expenses of the University in that financial year; and

(b) in each financial year thereafter—the sum of Three hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds.

“ (2.) The amounts payable to the University under this section shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund which, to the necessary extent, is hereby appropriated accordingly.”

Clauses 29 to 31 agreed to.

Clause 32—

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the following amendment was made :—

Page 8, lines 28 and 29, omit “ on which this Act comes into operation ”, insert “ on which the Canberra University College is incorporated in the University in pursuance of section nine of this Act ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

New clauses—

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill :—

“ 11A.—(1.) At any time before the Council has been duly constituted and ^{Interim} appointed, the Governor-General may establish an Interim Council, consisting of such ^{Council.} persons as he thinks fit.

“ (2.) Unless sooner dissolved by the Governor-General, the Interim Council shall remain in existence until the date on which the Council is duly constituted and appointed, or until the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, whichever is the earlier.

“ (3.) The Interim Council shall do such things as it considers necessary in connexion with the establishment of the University and the commencement of the functions of the University, and for that purpose shall have all the powers and functions of the Council (except the powers and functions of the Council under section sixteen of this Act).

“ (4.) While the Interim Council is in existence, any reference in any provision of this Act, other than sections eleven, thirteen, fourteen, sixteen and twenty-three, to the Council shall be read as a reference to the Interim Council.”

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" 27A.—(1.) Fees shall be payable by students of the University except, in the case of any student who is granted any fellowship, scholarship, exhibition, bursary or similar benefit, to the extent to which he is thereby exempted from payment of fees. <sup>Fees, &c.,
to be
payable.</sup>

" (2.) The Governor-General may, by Proclamation, determine that fees shall not be payable by students of the University and, while the Proclamation is in force, fees shall not be so payable."

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, by leave, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. J. A. Beasley, Mr. Clark, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Ryan, and Mr. Spender.

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