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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

No. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1929.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. FIRST MEETING OF PARLIAMENT AT CANBERRA—ROLL OF MEMBERS.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt from His Excellency the Governor-General of a copy of a letter received from His Royal Highness the Duke of York, expressing his thanks for the copy sent to him of the Roll of Members of the Senate and House of Representatives on the occasion of the Ceremony of the Inauguration of the Sittings of the Parliament at Canberra.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Quarantine Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 126.
4. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—CONSTRUCTION OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY WITHIN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY.—Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report, viz.:—Construction of Federal Highway within the Federal Capital Territory.
Mr. Lyons having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work—
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
5. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL (1929).—Mr. Theodore (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Bank Act 1911-1927*.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Theodore then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Theodore moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Earle Page 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 Tuesday next.
6. ARBITRATION (PUBLIC SERVICE) BILL (1929).—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 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated—

On the motion of Mr. Bayley, the following amendments were made, after debate:—

Line 15, omit "thirtieth", insert "thirty-first".

Line 15, omit "September", insert "May".

At the end of the clause add the following proviso:—"Provided that the Governor-General may by Proclamation further extend such term of office until the thirtieth day of September One thousand nine hundred and thirty".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

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The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Brennan (Attorney-General), the House, by leave, adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—TASMANIA GRANT BILL (1929).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

STONEHAVEN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 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 a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Tasmania.

Canberra, 20th November, 1929.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Theodore (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Tasmania.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

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

Ordered.—That Mr. Theodore and Mr. Lyons do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Theodore then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Theodore moved, by leave, 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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Yates reported accordingly.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Hunter, Mr. Keane, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lewis, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Mathews, Mr. McNeill, and Mr. Stewart.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.