

1929-30.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 82.

THURSDAY, 31ST JULY, 1930.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—Report of the Repatriation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1929.  
Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, No. 78.  
Committee of Public Accounts Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1930, No. 84.
3. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow.  
Question—put and passed.
1. WAYS AND MEANS ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Ways and Means—  
Question proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES 1930-31].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—"The Prime Minister's Department, £314,500"—

Further consideration postponed.

Postponed Vote—"The Parliament, £77,620"—

Mr. Gullett moved, as an amendment, That the first item of Division No. 1, viz.:—The President, £1,300—be reduced by £1.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the item proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.

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

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Bell	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Killen	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Latham	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Mackay	Mr. Gardner

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Mr. Anstey	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Loug
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Makin
Mr. Crouch	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Culley	Mr. Marks
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Martens
Mr. Curtin	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Cusack	Mr. McTiernan
Mr. Eldridge	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Forde	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Frost	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Tully
Mr. Guy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Holloway	Mr. West
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Yates
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jones	Mr. Price
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Lacey	

And so it was negatived.  
Vote agreed to.

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Postponed Vote—"The Prime Minister's Department, £314,500"—further considered and agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of the Treasury, £639,160"—agreed to.

Vote—"The Attorney-General's Department, £183,000"—debated.

*Temporary Chairman's Ruling.*—Mr. Roland Green proceeding to discuss the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Crouch) ruled that this matter could not be debated on the Estimates of the Attorney-General's Department.

*Dissent from Temporary Chairman's Ruling.*—Mr. Roland Green having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling of the Temporary Chairman, moved, That the Ruling be dissented from.

*Closure.*—Mr. Anstey (Minister for Health and Repatriation) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put, and passed.

And the question—That the Ruling be dissented from—being accordingly put, was negatived.

Debate continued.

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Home Affairs, £265,160"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Defence, £3,748,950"—debated—

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Trade and Customs, £913,100"—postponed.

Vote—"The Department of Works, £272,000"—debated—

Mr. Nairn moved, as an amendment, That Division No. 95, Governor-General's Establishment, £14,150, be reduced by £1.

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Health, £135,000"—postponed.

Vote—"The Department of Markets, £116,950"—agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Transport, £30,810"—agreed to.

Vote—"Miscellaneous Services, £782,650"—postponed.

Vote—"Refunds of Revenue, £1,100,000"—postponed.

Vote—"Advance to the Treasurer, £2,000,000"—postponed.

Vote—"War Services Payable out of Revenue, £1,418,614"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Commonwealth Railways, £635,550"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Postmaster-General's Department, £10,709,782"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"North Australia, £100,458"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Central Australia, £28,148"—agreed to.

Vote—"Federal Capital Territory, £312,945"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Papua, £47,132"—agreed to.

Vote—"New Guinea, £5,000"—agreed to.

Vote—"Norfolk Island, £4,000"—agreed to.

Vote—"Grant to States towards Relief of Unemployment, £1,000,000"—postponed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SUPERANNUATION BILL (1930).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 40.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Superannuation Act 1922-1924,'" 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.

WALTER KINGSMILL,  
President.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 31st July, 1930.

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

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Brennan, Mr. Coleman\*, Mr. Mathews\*, and Mr. Theodore.

\* On leave.

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