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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 13.

THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1937.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker (Mr. Prowse) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—POSITION IN SHANGHAI.—Mr. Menzies (Minister representing the Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the present position of affairs in Shanghai and the measures taken for the protection of Australian lives and property.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—INFANTILE PARALYSIS.—Mr. Hughes (Minister for Health), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the present epidemic of Infantile Paralysis. Mr. Beasley, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter. Mr. Hughes, by leave, made a further Statement on the subject.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—No. 15 of 1937—Commonwealth Foremen's Association.
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1937, No. 20.
 - Norfolk Island Act—
 - Ordinances of 1937—
 - No. 5—Child Welfare.
 - No. 6—Conveyancing.
 - No. 7—Crown Lands.
 - No. 8—Church of England Land.
 - Regulations Amended, &c., under—
 - Bean Seed Export Control Ordinance.
 - Exportation of Fruit Ordinance.
 - Plant and Fruit Diseases Ordinance.
 - Papua Act—Ordinance No. 3 of 1937—Supply, 1937-1938.
 - Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—
 - Ordinances of 1937—
 - No. 7—Canberra Community Hospital (Inquiry).
 - No. 9—Unlawful Assemblies.
 - No. 10—Trespass on Commonwealth Lands.
 - No. 11—Bank Holidays.
 - No. 12—Industrial Board.
 - No. 13—Administration and Probate (No. 2).
 - No. 14—Unlawful Assemblies (No. 2).
 - Public Health Ordinance—Regulations Amended.
5. DAIRY PRODUCE EXPORT CHARGES BILL (1937).—Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dairy Produce Export Charges Act 1924-1929* and for other purposes. Question—put and passed.
6. WINE GRAPES CHARGES BILL (1937).—Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Wine Grapes Charges Acts 1929*. Question—put and passed.
7. STATES' GRANTS BILL (1937).—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.

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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.)

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Nairn reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 72), the Bill was read a third time.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL (1937).—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 16,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Acts Interpretation Act 1901-1932', to repeal the 'Acts Interpretation Act 1904-1931', and for other purposes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 26th August, 1937.

BURFORD SAMPSON,
Deputy-President.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 4, Government Business.
10. WAR PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL (1937).—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.

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Bill to be reported without amendment.

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11. INTER-STATE COMMISSION BILL (1937).—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. Thomas Paterson (Minister for the Interior) 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.
12. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Archdale Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes past 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. Bell, Mr. Thomas Collins, Mr. Fiske, Mr. Roland Green, Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Makin, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Scholfield, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

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