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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 50.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1941.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. DEATH OF SIR DAVID FERGUSON.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), by leave, referred to the death on the 2nd instant of Sir David Ferguson, and paid tribute to the services rendered to the Commonwealth by Sir David Ferguson as Chairman of the Royal Commission on Taxation and as a Member of the Australian War Memorial Board of Management. Mr. Curtin tendered to Lady Ferguson and the members of the family sympathy in their bereavement.
Mr. Fadden (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, supported the tribute of the Prime Minister.
3. NO. 4 WHEAT POOL—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Scully (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the Government's decision to make a further advance to wheat-growers of 3d. per bushel on all wheat of the 1940-41 crop in the No. 4 Wheat Pool.
4. NO. 2 BARLEY POOL—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Scully (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement announcing the arrangements made by the Government to grant to growers a further advance on barley of the 1940-41 crop in the No. 2 Barley Pool.
5. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Apples and Pears—Report, together with minutes of evidence, of Committee of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Government to report upon matters connected with the Apple and Pear Board and the disposal of the Apple and Pear crop.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and that the Report be printed.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1941—
No. 29—Commonwealth Foremen's Association; and Amalgamated Engineering Union.
No. 30—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia; and others; Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union; Commonwealth Naval Storehousemen's Association; and Arms, Explosives and Mmunition Workers' Federation of Australia.
Australian Imperial Force Canteens Fund Act—Twenty-first Annual Report by the Trustees, for year 1940-41 (including the Sir Samuel McCaughey and P. S. Watson Bequests).
Gold Mining Encouragement Acts—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1941, No. 243.
National Security Act—National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—
Control of lights and traffic (5).
Taking possession of land, &c. (50).
Use of land (12).
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinances—1941—
No. 3—Child Welfare.
No. 4—Child Welfare Agreement.
No. 5—Legitimation.
Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1941, No. 240.
Trade Marks Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1941, No. 241.
6. SUPPLY—BUDGET DEBATE.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

General debate resumed on the question, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division No. 1—
The Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances	£8,470
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be agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

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7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Forde (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes to eleven 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. Anthony, Mr. Blain, Mr. Calwell, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. White*.

* On leave.

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