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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 78.

TUESDAY, 9TH MAY, 1939.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Civil Aviation—Report, dated 30th December, 1938, of Committee appointed by Minister for Civil Aviation to investigate and report on administration of the Civil Aviation Board, the organization of the newly-created Department of Civil Aviation, and associated questions.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—
GOWRIE,
Governor-General. *Message No. 70.*
A Proposed Law intituled "*Science and Industry Research Act 1939*" 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 Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Law.
Admiralty House,
Sydney, 6th May, 1939.
4. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT—REPORT FOR 1938—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Sir Henry Gullett (Minister for External Affairs) laid upon the Table, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, the following Paper :—
External Affairs Department—Report for 1938,
and moved, That the Report be printed.
Suspension of Standing Order No. 119.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 119 be suspended to enable the debate to proceed without interruption.
Question—put and passed.
Debate on motion ensued.
Mr. Brennan addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—
Ordered—That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.
Debate continued.
Mr. White 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.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1939—
No. 1—Stamp Duties.
No. 2—Public Service.
No. 3—Wills.
Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1938,
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6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the intervening Orders of the Day be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 17 and 21, Government Business.
 7. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day, Government Business, was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), discharged :—
International Affairs—Munich Agreement—Ministerial Statement—Motion for printing Paper—
Resumption of debate upon the motion, That the Paper be printed.
 8. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day, Government Business, was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), discharged :—
Foreign Affairs—Ministerial Statement—Motion for printing Paper—Resumption of debate
upon the motion, That the Paper be printed.
 9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Barnard, Mr. Forde, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jolly, Mr. Makin, Mr. Maloney, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Scully, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Thorby.

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