THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 40.

THURSDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1941.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. AEROPLANE ACCIDENT—DEATH OF MR. CHARLES HARDY.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) referred to the aeroplane accident in North Queensland yesterday which resulted in the death of Mr. Charles Hardy, a former Member of the Senate and recently engaged on Commonwealth defence work, Lieut.-Colonel Miller, Director of Works, Department of the Army, and Mr. Cohen, the pilot, and expressed sympathy for their relatives. Mr. Menzies made special reference to Mr. Hardy and moved, That this House expresses its deep regret at the death of Mr. Charles Hardy, a former Member of the Senate, places on record its appreciation of his meritorious public service, and tenders its heartfelt sympathy to his widow and family in their bereavement.

And Mr. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr. Fadden (Treasurer) having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—Question—passed.

- 3. Special Adjournment.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr. Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter, such date and hour to be not later than Wednesday, the 17th September next, at three o'clock p.m. Question—put and passed.
- 4. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute——
 Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—St. Mary's, New South Wales.

Suspension of Sitting.—At eighteen minutes past three o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Resumption of Sitting.—At seven minutes to five o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

5. Message from the Senate.—Supply Bill (No. 2) 1941-42.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 65.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty-two", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate,

Canberra, 28th August, 1941.

President.

- 6. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1941—

No. 21—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia; Plumbers and Gasfitters Employees' Union of Australia; and Vehicle Builders Employees' Federation of Australia.

No. 22---Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union; and Commonwealth Naval Storehousemen's Association.

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

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That Mr. Calwell be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to six o'clock p.m., adjourned until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter, such date and hour to be not later than Wednesday, the 17th September next, at three o'clock p.m., as determined by Resolution of the House at this sitting.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Blain, Mr. Brennan, and Mr. White.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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