## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## OF REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE

No. 86.

## WEDNESDAY, 3RD JUNE, 1942.

- 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. Business of the House-Ministerial Statement.-Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) informed the House of the financial measures which the Government proposed to submit to the House during the present sittings.
- 3 ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Marwick rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The terms and conditions of acquisition and payment relative to wheat delivered to the No. 5 Wheat Pool and the Government's failure to finalize payments to farmers on wheat delivered to the Nos. 2, 3 and 4 Wheat Pools".
  - Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Marwick moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Ordered-That Mr. Marwick be granted an extension of time.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

Closure moved.—Mr. Cameron moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Nairn, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 29.			
Mr. Abbott Mr. Badman Mr. Cameron Mr. Collins Mr. Duncan-Hughes Mr. Francis Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Hughes Mr. Jolly Mr. Marwick Mr. McDonald	Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Prowse Mr. Spender Mr. Spooner Sir Frederick Stewart  Tellers: Mr. Corser Mr. Guy	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Breen Mr. Brennan Mr. Chifley Mr. Clark Mr. Dedman Mr. Drakeford Mr. Falstein Mr. Forde Mr. Forst Mr. James Mr. Johnson Mr. Lawson	Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Morgan Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward Mr. Wilson  Tellers: Mr. Conelan Mr. Sheehan		

And so it was negatived.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 257B.

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4. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Canberra University College—Report for 1941.

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Regulations-Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 225, 249 (Parliamentary Officers).

National Security Act-

National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations-Order-Military powers during emergency.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 247. Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance -1942—No. 11—Rural Workers Accommodation.

5. Message from the Governor-General.—Australian Broadcasting Bill 1942.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:— GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of amendments to be moved by the Minister for Supply and Development in a Bill for an Act relating to Broadcasting.

Canberra, 7th May, 1942.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Beasley (Minister for Supply and Development) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of amendments to be moved by the Minister for Supply and Development in a Bill for an Act relating to Broadcasting. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Martens reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Beasley, by leave, was adopted by the House.

6. Australian Broadcasting Bill 1942.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3--

On the motion of Mr. Beasley (Minister for Supply and Development), the following amendment was made:-

Page 2, lines 4 and 5, omit "Broadcasting Stations owned or controlled by one Person", insert Commercial Broadcasting Stations ".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 4-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendments were made:-

Page 2, lines 18 and 19, omit "in respect of which a licence has been granted by the Minister", insert "other than a national broadcasting station".

Page 2, line 32, omit "shall be", insert "means". Clause, as amended, debated and agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 9 agreed to.

Clause 10-

Mr. Sheehan moved, as an amendment, That the words "One thousand two" (page 3, line 30) be omitted with a view to inserting the word "Six" in place thereof. Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Mr. Sheehan moved, as an amendment, That the word "Three" (page 3, line 34) be omitted with a view to inserting the word "Five" in place thereof. Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 11 to 16 agreed to. Clause 17 debated—

Mr. Morgan moved as an amendment, That before the word "A" (page 5, line 7) the words "Except as may be prescribed," be inserted.

Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

On the motion of Mr. Menzies, the following amendment was made:—
Page 5, line 5, after "manager" insert "who shall be the chief executive officer of the Commission". Debate continued.

Mr. Blackburn moved, as a further amendment, That the following further proviso be added to subclause (2.): - "Provided further that with the consent in writing of the Minister the Commission may appoint to any position named in such consent a person named in such consent who is not a British subject.".

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Debate continued.

Question—That the proviso proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put. The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Noes, 40. Mr. Blackburn Mr. Holt Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Badman Mr. Makin Mr. Baker Mr. Menzies Sir Charles Marr Mr. Beasley Mr. Marwick Mr. Brennan Tellers: Mr. Calwell Mr. McDonald Mr. Cameron Mr. McEwen Mr. Morgan Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Pollard Mr. Chifley Mr. Collins Mr. Curtin Mr. Dedman Mr. Riordan Mr. Drakeford Mr. Rosevear Mr. Ryan Mr. Sheehan Mr. Duncan-Hughes Mr. Forde Mr. Francis Mr. Spender Mr. Spooner Mr. Frost Sir Frederick Stewart Mr. Harrison Mr. Holloway Mr. Ward Mr. Johnson Tellers: Mr. Jolly Mr. Langtry Mr. Conelan

Mr. Lawson

Mr. Guy

And so it was negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to. Clause 18 debated and agreed to.

Clause 19-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made, after debate:—Page 6, line 22, after "other" insert "broadcasting".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 20 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 21 to 25 agreed to.

Clause 26 debated and agreed to.

Clause 27

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendments were made:—
Page 7, line 37, after "time to time" insert "out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which

is hereby appropriated accordingly,

Page 7, lines 44-47, page 8, lines 1-4, omit paragraphs (a) and (b), insert the following paragraphs:— (a) If the fee paid for the licence is Twenty shillings or Fourteen shillings—elevenpence for each calendar month after the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two, during which the licence is in force

"(b) If the fee paid for the licence is Ten shillings or Seven shillings—fivepence half-penny

for each such calendar month; and
"(c) If the fee paid for the licence is Five shillings or Three shillings and sixpence threepence for each such calendar month.".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 28 to 30 agreed to.

Clause 31-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—
Page 8, line 45, after "advance" insert ", out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is hereby appropriated accordingly,".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 32 debated and agreed to.

Clause 33 agreed to.

Clause 34 debated and agreed to.

Clause 35 agreed to.

Clauses 36 to 43 inclusive taken together, by leave, and omitted, after debate.

Clauses 44 to 48 agreed to.

Clause 49 debated and agreed to.

Clause 50 debated-

On the motion of Sir Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made, after debate :-Page 12, line 28, after "possible" insert "but not later than six months ".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 51 agreed to.

Clause 52

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—
Page 13, line 12, after "station" insert "upon the conditions and".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 53 to 55 agreed to.

Clauses 96 to 98 agreed to. Clause 99 debated and agreed to. 3rd and 4th June, 1942.

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Clause 56-
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:-
      Page 13, lines 38-41, omit sub-clause (1.), insert the following sub-clause :-
             '(1.) There shall be payable by the licensee in respect of a licence for a commercial
   broadcasting station granted or renewed under this Act, for each year or part of a year of the
   currency of the licence or renewal, the fee prescribed by the Commercial Broadcasting Stations Licence
   Fees Act 1942.
 Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 57 debated and agreed to.
                             The House continuing to sit until after midnight-
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Clause 58-
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made :-
      Page 14, at the end of the clause add the following proviso:
            "Provided that the performance by the licensee or that person of any obligation imposed
   upon the licensee by any provision of this Act shall, to the extent of that performance, release both
   the licensee and that person from the obligation.".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 59 and 60 agreed to.
Clause 61 debated and agreed to.
Clauses 62 to 65 agreed to.
Clause 66-
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendments were made:—
Page 15, line 32, omit "A", insert "The technical equipment of a".
Page 15, line 34, omit "station", insert "equipment".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 67 and 68 agreed to.
Clause 69 debated—
On the motion of Sir Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made, after debate:-
      Page 16, line 10, after "and" insert ", except as prescribed,".
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following further amendment was made:-
      Page 16, lines 13 and 14, omit "are prescribed", insert "the Minister determines".
Mr. Morgan moved, as a further amendment, That sub-clauses (4.), (5.), (6.) and (7.) be omitted with
   a view to inserting the following sub-clause in place thereof:—
"(4.) The Minister may, upon the recommendation of the Director-General of Health,
   prohibit any advertisement relating to any medicine or class of medicine.".
Debate continued.
Amendment withdrawn, by leave.
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following further amendment was made:—
Page 16, line 15, after "(4.)" insert "Except as prescribed,".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 70 agreed to.
Clause 71
On the motion of Sir Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made, after debate:-
     Page 16, line 35, omit "and the approval of the Minister".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 72 to 74 agreed to.
Clause 75 debated
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendments were made, after debate:—
Page 17, line 24, omit "one month", insert "three months".
Page 17, line 27, after "profit" insert "to the person operating the station".
Page 17, line 29, omit "of the station during that year", insert ", from the operations of the station during that year, of the person operating the station".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—Page 17, line 46, omit "or", insert "and".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 77 and 78 agreed to
Clause 79-
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendments were made:—
Page 18, line 9, omit "request", insert "requirement".
Page 18, lines 15-18, leave out all words from and including "and any" to end of clause.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause 80 debated and agreed to.
Clauses 81 to 91 agreed to.
On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—
Page 20, line 10, at the end of the clause add "and its committees".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses 93 and 94 agreed to.
Clause 95 debated and agreed to.
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Clause 100 debated-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—Page 21, line 41, after "(1.)" insert "Except as prescribed,".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 101 agreed to.

Clause 102-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendments were made:—
Page 22, line 32, after "place" insert ", or part of any premises or place,".
Page 22, line 39, after "premises" insert "or place, or part of the premises or place,".
Clause, as amended, debated and agreed to.

Clause 103 agreed to.

Clause 104-

Mr. Nairn moved, as an amendment, That after "years," (page 24, line 4) the words "or to any person who is totally and permanently disabled as the result of war service" be inserted. Debate ensued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:-

Page 24, lines 3 and 4, omit "to any school maintained by or registered with the Education Department of any State", insert ", with the approval of the Minister, to any school".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 105 agreed to.

Clause 106-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—
Page 24, line 41, after "sold" insert ", hired, lent, leased, or otherwise disposed of,".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 107 to 112 agreed to.

Clause 113-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made:—

Page 26, lines 4-8, omit all words from and including "particular —" to and including "and (b)", insert "particular".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

New clauses-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill:-

'96A.—(1.) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Commission may determine to what extent and in what manner political speeches or any matter relating to a political subject may be broadcast from national broadcasting stations, and the licensee of a commercial broadcasting station may arrange for the broadcasting of such speeches or matter from that station.

(2.) The Commission or the licensee of a broadcasting station shall not, at any time prior to the close of the poll on the day on which any election for the Parliament of the Commonwealth or a State or for any House of any such Parliament or for any vacancy in any such House is held, or at any time on either of the two days immediately preceding that day, broadcast, in whole or in part, any speech or matter-

(a) commenting on, or soliciting votes for, any candidate at the election;

(b) commenting on, or advocating support of, any political party to which any candidate at the election belongs;

(c) commenting upon, stating or indicating any of the issues being submitted to the electors at the election or any part of the policy of any candidate at the election or of the political party to which he belongs; or

(d) referring to any meeting held in connexion with the election.

"(3.) The Commission or the licensee of a commercial broadcasting station shall not, at any time on or after the date of the issue of the writs and before the close of the poll for any such election, broadcast any dramatization of matter relating to any candidate, political party, issues,

policy or meeting referred to in the last preceding sub-section.
"96B.—(1.) The Commission, in the case of a national broadcasting station, or the licensee, in the case of a commercial broadcasting station, shall cause to be announced the true name of average announced. announced the true name of every speaker who is, either in person or through the agency of a sound recording device, to deliver an address or make a statement relating to a political subject or current affairs for broadcasting from the station. If the address is to be delivered or the statement is to

be made on behalf of a political party, the name of the party shall be included in the announcement.

"(2.) The announcement shall be made at such a time and in such a manner, before and after the address or statement, as fully to disclose the identity of the speaker to any person listening

to the broadcast of the address or statement.

(3.) The Commission or the licensee, as the case may be, shall keep a record of the name, postal address and credentials or occupation of each such speaker, and shall furnish to the Minister any particulars of the record which the Minister by notice in writing requires.".

Schedule agreed to. Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Lawson (Minister for Transport) moved, That the Report be adopted.

Mr. Beasley moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 71 and 98. Question-put and passed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

On recommittal-

Clause 71-

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the following amendment was made, after debate:—
Page 16, at the end of the clause add "and the approval of the Minister".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 98-

Mr. Blackburn moved, as an amendment, That all words from and including "or" (line 15) to and including "he" (line 19) be omitted with a view to inserting the words "the Minister" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Bill to be reported with a further amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Guy reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, by leave, the House adopted the Reports, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

7. COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING STATIONS LICENCE FEES BILL 1942.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Beasley (Minister for Supply and Development) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Beasley, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

S. Dairy Produce Export Control Bill 1942.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

9. Ways and Means—Rabbit Skins Export Charges.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved-

1. That a charge be imposed on all rabbit skins exported from the Commonwealth after the commencement of the Act passed to give effect to this resolution and on or before the date to be fixed by Proclamation as the date upon which the Rabbit Skins Export Charges Act 1940 shall cease to be in force.

2. That the rate of charge be as prescribed by regulations made under the Rabbit Skins Export Charges Act 1940, as amended by the Act passed to give effect to this resolution, after report to the Minister by the Australian Rabbit Skins Board constituted under the first-mentioned Act, but that the rate of charge do not in any case exceed Two shillings and sixpence for each pound of rabbit skins exported.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Guy reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Dedman do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

10. Rabbit Skins Export Charges Bill 1942.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the Rabbit Skins Export Charges Act 1940'", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Guy reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

11. NAVIGATION BILL 1942.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Chiffey (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third

12. LIGHTHOUSES BILL 1942.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third

13. Message from the Governor-General.—Supply Bill (No. 1) 1942-43.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:-GOWRIE.

Governor-General.

Message No. 69.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a 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-three.

Canberra, 27th May, 1942.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

14. Supply-Supply Bill (No. 1) 1942-43.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1942-43 a sum not exceeding £37,409,000.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Guy reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

15. Ways and Means—Supply Bill (No. 1) 1942-43.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

## (In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1942-43, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £37,409,000.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.
Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Lazzarini do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

16. Supply Bill (No. 1) 1942-43.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled "A 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-three", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

17. Message from the Governor-General.—Loan Bill (No. 2) 1942.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:-

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 70.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money.

Canberra, 27th May, 1942.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

#### (In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Holloway do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Chifley then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

18. Message from the Governor-General.—Invalid and Old-age Pensions Appropriation Bill 1942.—The following message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :-

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 71.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions.

Canberra, 27th May, 1942.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted

by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Frost do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Chifley then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

19. Message from the Governor-General.—War Pensions Appropriation Bill 1942.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:-GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 72.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions.

Canberra, 27th May, 1942.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

#### (In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Ward do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Chifley then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

Suspension of Sitting.—At eighteen minutes past seven o'clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Resumption of Sitting.—At half-past eleven o'clock a.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

20. Message from the Senate.-Income Tax (War-time Arrangements) Bill 1942.--Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:-

Message No. 121.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to make provision relating to the collection of taxes during the present war, and for other purposes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

President.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

#### (In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment, which is as follows:—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 5, clause 13, line 10, leave out "any such returns", insert ", and may make and take away copies of, any such returns and records ".

On the motion of Mr. Chifley (Treasurer), the Amendment was agreed to. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report.

21. Message from the Senate.—Income Tax Assessment Bill 1942.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:-

MR. SPEAKER.

Message No. 123.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936-1941'", 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.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

President.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

## (In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments, which are as follows:-

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

No. 1.—Page 4, after clause 18 insert the following new clause:—
"18a. Section one hundred and three of the Principal Act is amended by Definitions. omitting paragraph (a) of the definition of 'distributable income' and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:-

(a) all taxes which are paid in the year of income—

(i) under this or the previous Act;

(ii) under any law of a State or of a Territory being part of the Commonwealth imposing a tax upon incomes, if the taxes have not been allowed or are not allowable as deductions under section seventy-two of this Act in any

assessment for any financial year; or
(iii) in any country out of Australia in respect of income of the company which is taxable under this or the previous Act,

less any refund received in the year of income of any tax to which this paragraph refers; and '".

No. 2.—Page 4, clause 21, lines 27 to 34, leave out all words after "sub-section (1.)", insert "the words 'Two hundred pounds' and inserting in their stead the words 'One hundred and fifty-six pounds'

No. 3.—Page 10, clause 26, after line 6, insert—
"(aa) by omitting paragraph (i) of sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—

(i) all taxes which are paid in the year of income—

this or the previous Act:

(a) under this or the previous Act;

(b) under any Act passed by the Parliament imposing a war-time tax upon companies;

(c) under any law of a State or of a Territory being part of the Commonwealth imposing a tax upon incomes, if the taxes have not been allowed or are not allowable as deductions under section seventy-two of this Act in any assessment for any financial year; or

(d) in any country out of Australia in respect of income of the company which is taxable under this or the previous Act,

less any refund received in the year of income of any tax to which this paragraph refers; '; ".

On the motion of Mr. Chifley (Treasurer), the Amendments were agreed to, after debate. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report.

22. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:-

[States Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Bill 1942]—

Mr. Speaker. The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to make provision for the grant of financial assistance to States, and for other purposes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

> JAS. CUNNINGHAM, President.

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

[Income Tax Bill 1942]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 124.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to impose a Tax upon Incomes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

[Dairy Produce Export Control Bill 1942]—

Message No. 125.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Dairy Produce Export Control Act 1924-1938'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

President.

President.

[Rabbit Skins Export Charges Bill 1942]—

Mr. Speaker.

Message No. 126.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Rabbit Skins Export Charges Act 1940'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Jas. Cunningham,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

President.

[Commercial Broadcasting Stations Licence Fees Bill 1942]—

Message No. 127.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to provide for Fees for Licences for Commercial Broadcasting Stations", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate.

Canberra, 4th June, 1942, a.m.

President.

23. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

International Labour Organization of the League of Nations-Twenty-sixth Session, New York, October-November, 1941—Reports of the Australian Delegates.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed. Postmaster-General's Department-Thirty-first Report, for year 1940-41, Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 24. Repatriation Committee.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) announced the appointment of a Committee of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives to inquire into and report upon the general question of the Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act 1920-1941, and any amendments considered desirable having regard to the conditions caused by the present war.
- 25. Message from the Governor-General.—Additional Estimates 1941-42.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:-

GOWRIE.

Governor-General.

Message No. 73.

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In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Canberra, 3rd June, 1942.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

26. Supply—Additional Estimates 1941-42.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the following additional sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1941-42 for the services hereunder specified, viz. :-

PART I.—DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES—OTHER THAN BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS AND TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH-

VII.—Defence and War (1939-41) Services—to be allotted to particular services by Supplementary Appropriation ... 80,000,000 Less amount chargeable to Loan Fund 55,000,000

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly. Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay. Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

27. Ways and Means-Additional Estimates 1941-42.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Additional Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1941-42, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £25,000,000.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Forde do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

28. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 2) 1941-42.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply an additional 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 to appropriate such sum", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

- 29. THE WAR-EXTERNAL AFFAIRS-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of recent attacks made by enemy submarines on vessels off the Australian coast and of further details in respect to the attempts made by submarines to damage shipping in Sydney Harbour. Mr. Curtin also reviewed recent developments in the theatres of war and in external affairs, and announced that the Right Honorable S. M. Bruce would represent Australia at meetings of the United Kingdom War Cabinet and the Pacific War Council in London.
- 30. NEWSPAPER ARTICLE—STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER.—Mr. Speaker referred to an article published in a recent issue of the Sydney Sunday Telegraph which reflected on the Parliament. Mr. Speaker informed the House of the action taken thereon by the President of the Senate, and of the request for an adequate apology. In the event of a suitable apology not being published, it was intended to take action similar to that taken by the President of the Senate.
- 31. WAR EXPENDITURE—Joint Committee.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave-

(1) That Mr. Rosevear be appointed to serve on the Joint Committee on War Expenditure.

(2) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Senate by Message. Question—put and passed.

32. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bills.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker:

Governor-General.

Message No. 74.

Proposed Laws intituled :---

"Gift Duty Assessment Act 1942" "Estate Duty Assessment Act 1942"

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 Laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 3rd June, 1942.

33. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:-

[Supply Bill (No. 1) 1942-43]---

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 128.

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-three", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

[Australian Broadcasting Bill 1942]—

Mr. SPEAKER,

Message No. 129.

The Senate has agreed to the Amendments made by the House of Representatives in the Bill for "An Act relating to Broadcasting".

Jas. Cunningham,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

President.

[Loan Bill (No. 2) 1942]—

Mr. SPEAKER,

Message No. 130.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Jas. Cunningham,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

President.

[Invalid and Old-age Pensions Appropriation Bill 1942]—

Message No. 131.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Jas. Cunningham,

The Senate.

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

President.

[War Pensions Appropriation Bill 1942]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 132.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Jas. Cunningham.

President.

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

The Senate.

34. Messages from the Governor-General.—Supplementary Estimates and Supplementary Estimates for Works and Buildings, 1940-41.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and were read by Mr. Speaker:—

GOWRIE.

Governor-General.

Message No. 75.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Canberra, 3rd June, 1942.

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 76.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Canberra, 3rd June, 1942.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

35. Supply—Supplementary Estimates and Supplementary Estimates for Works, etc., 1940-41.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

## (In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved the following two motions:-

### SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1940-41.

That the following further sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1940-41, for the several services hereunder specified, viz.:—

Part I.—Departments and Services—Other than Business Undertakings and Territories of the Commonwealth.

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Parliament						3,221
Prime Minister's Departmen	ıt					12,392
Department of External Aff	airs					12,709
Department of the Treasury	,					32,169
Attorney-General's Departm	ient					16,980
Department of the Interior						2,637
Department of Defence Co-ordination						206
Department of the Navy .						4,194
Department of the Army .						816
Department of Air						61
Department of Supply and				940		
Department of Munitions .						26,161
War (1939-40) Services .						849,253
Department of Civil Aviatio						1,450
Department of Trade and C	ustoms					5,787
Department of Health .						1,750
Department of Commerce .						10,409
Department of Social Service	es					9,676
Miscellaneous Services .						117,828
Refunds of Revenue .						23,371
War (1914-18) Services .						2,156
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Northern Territory						45,935
Australian Capital Territory	,			• •	• • •	11,569
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Supplementary Estimates for Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1940-41.

That there be granted to His Majesty to the service of the year 1940-41 for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., a further sum not exceeding £239,596.

Question—That the motions be agreed to—put and passed. Resolutions to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolutions reported from the Committee were read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, were adopted by the House.

36. Ways and Means-Supplementary Estimates and Supplementary Estimates for Works, ETC., 1940-41.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved the following two motions:—

Supplementary Estimates, 1940-41.

That, towards making good the further Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1940-41, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £1,419,090.

Supplementary Estimates for Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1940-41.

That, towards making good the further Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year 1940-41, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £239,596.

Question—That the motions be agreed to—put and passed. Resolutions to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolutions reported from the Committee were read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, were adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Makin do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

37. Supplementary Appropriation Bill 1940-41.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

38. Supplementary Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1940-41.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) also brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

39. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

National Security Act-

National Security (General) Regulations-

Orders-

Prohibited places.

Taking possession of land, &c. (67).

Use of land (28).

Orders by State Premiers—New South Wales, Queensland (2), South Australia.

National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—Orders by State Premiers—New South Wales (2), Queensland (8), South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia.

Regulations-Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 246, 248.

Peace Officers Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 212.

- 40. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS.-Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting. Question—put and passed.
- 41. Special Adjournment.—Mr. Curtin (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. Question—put and passed.
- 42. LIFE ASSURANCE POLICY OF W. R. ARCHIBALD-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Beasley (Acting Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the alleged refusal of the City Mutual Life Assurance Society to make payment under the policy of W. R. Archibald.

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

43. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:

[Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1941-42]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 133.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply an additional 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 to appropriate such sum", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

President.

President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

[Supplementary Appropriation Bill 1940-41]-

Message No. 134.

Mr. Speaker, The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

[Supplementary Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1940-41]-

Message No. 135.

MR. SPEAKER, The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Jas. Cunningham, President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 4th June, 1942.

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

Debate ensued. · Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at thirteen minutes past 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 as determined by Resolution of the House at this sitting.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Sir George Bell, Mr. Blain\*, Mr. Coles, Mr. Evatt, Mr. McCall, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Scully, Mr. Stacey, and Mr. White\*. On leave.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.