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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 2.

FRIDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1943.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Forde (Deputy Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.  
Question—put and passed.
3. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received from His Excellency the Governor-General the following Commission :—

*His Excellency General the Right Honourable ALEXANDER GORE ARKWRIGHT, BARON GOWRIE, a Member of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Victoria Cross, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Commonwealth of Australia :*

To the Honourable JOHN SOLOMON ROSEVEAR, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia.

## GREETING :

WHEREAS by section 42 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia it is amongst other things enacted that every Member of the House of Representatives shall before taking his seat make and subscribe before the Governor-General, or some person authorized by him, an Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance in the form set forth in the Schedule to the aforesaid Constitution :

NOW THEREFORE I, ALEXANDER GORE ARKWRIGHT, BARON GOWRIE, the Governor-General aforesaid, do by these Presents command and authorize you from time to time in the Parliament House of the Commonwealth, at Canberra, to administer the said Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to such Members of the House of Representatives as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said House of Representatives.

(L.S.) GIVEN under my Hand and the Seal of the Commonwealth of Australia, this twenty-third day of September, in the year of our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and forty-three, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

GOWRIE,  
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,  
JOHN CURTIN,  
Prime Minister.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—  
National Security Act—National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—  
Balance-sheets of the Commonwealth Bank, Commonwealth Savings Bank and Note Issue Department, as at 30th June, 1943 ; together with Auditor-General's reports thereon.  
Statement of Australian Banking Statistics for the five quarters ended 30th June, 1943.  
The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
National Security Act—National Security (Prices) Regulations—Declarations—Nos. 117-125.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—Twentieth Annual Report, for year 1942-43.  
Ordered to be printed.  
Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 198.

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- Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1943—  
 No. 18—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.  
 No. 19—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia; Postal Telecommunication Technicians' Association (Australia); and Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.  
 No. 20—Commonwealth Telegraph Traffic and Supervisory Officers' Association.  
 No. 21—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.  
 No. 22—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.  
 No. 23—Commonwealth Telephone Officers' Association.  
 No. 24—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association and others.  
 No. 25—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.  
 No. 26—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association and others.  
 No. 27—Blacksmiths' Society of Australasia and Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- Australian Broadcasting Act—Report of the proceedings of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Broadcasting for the period 3rd September, 1942, to 7th July, 1943.
- Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunal—Report for 1942-43.
- Beer Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 228.
- Canberra University College—Report for 1942.
- Commonwealth Electoral (War-time) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 175.
- Contract Immigrants Act—Return for 1942.
- Control of Naval Waters Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 216.
- Customs Act—Proclamations prohibiting the Exportation (except under certain conditions) of—  
 Macaroni; Spaghetti; Vermicelli (dated 1st September, 1943).  
 Margarine; Neatsfoot oil (dated 27th July, 1943).  
 Quartz crystals (dated 29th June, 1943).  
 Ti-tree oil (dated 1st September, 1943).
- Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 192.
- Dairying Industry Assistance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 171.
- Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, Nos. 174, 199, 200, 218, 219, 227.
- Defence Act and Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 217.
- Immigration Act—Return for 1942.
- Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—  
 Alexandria, New South Wales.  
 Amberley, Queensland.  
 Broadmeadows, Victoria.  
 Brooklyn, Victoria.  
 Bullsbrook (Pearce), Western Australia.  
 Charleville, Queensland.  
 Cootamundra, New South Wales.  
 Crystal Brook, South Australia.  
 Dandenong, Victoria.  
 Dubbo, New South Wales.  
 Eagle Farm, Queensland.  
 East Oakleigh, Victoria.  
 Forrest, Western Australia.  
 Gladstone, South Australia.  
 Goulburn, New South Wales.  
 Kilburn, South Australia.  
 Kingaroy, Queensland.  
 Lake Boga, Victoria.  
 Largs, New South Wales.  
 Lidcombe, New South Wales.  
 Lismore, Victoria.  
 Lithgow, New South Wales (2).  
 Mudgee, New South Wales.  
 Murray Bridge, South Australia.  
 Newport, Victoria.  
 Parafield, South Australia.  
 Portland, New South Wales.  
 Port Melbourne, Victoria.  
 Port Pirie, South Australia (2).  
 Putney, New South Wales.  
 Redgate, Tasmania.  
 Rosebud, Victoria.  
 Salisbury, South Australia (2).  
 Singleton, New South Wales.  
 Tamworth, New South Wales.  
 Townsville, Queensland.  
 Violet Town, Victoria.  
 Warracknabeal, Victoria.  
 Yarrawonga, Victoria.
- Motor Vehicle Engine Bounty Act—Return for year 1942-43.

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## National Security Act—

National Security (Agricultural Aids) Regulations—Order—Nicotine sulphate (Restriction of sale).

National Security (Allied Forces) Regulations—Orders—

Allied Forces (Application of the *Defence (Visiting Forces) Act 1939*) (No. 5).

Allied Forces (Civilian witnesses).

Allied Forces (Penal arrangements) (No. 4).

Allied Forces (Relations with Civil authorities) (No. 2).

National Security (Civil Defence Workers' Compensation) Regulations—Order by Premier of Victoria (dated 8th July, 1943).

National Security (Egg Industry) Regulations—Orders—Egg industry (Nos. 5-7).

National Security (Food Control) Regulations—Order—Cream (Restriction of use).

National Security (General) Regulations—

Orders—

Cocoa, chocolate and confectionery.

Control of—

Automotive spare parts (No. 2).

Building materials.

Edible oils and edible oil constituents.

Electric dry battery manufacture (No. 2).

Electronic vibrators.

Essential materials (No. 4).

Grapefruit (Western Australia).

Knitted goods (No. 2).

Leather (No. 3).

Radio service (Nos. 1, 2).

Trailer manufacture (No. 2).

Woven woollen materials (Civil needs) (No. 2).

Heating and cooking appliances (Control of manufacture).

Heating and cooking appliances (Retail sales) (No. 2).

Ice industry (New South Wales).

Prohibited places (2).

Prohibiting work on land (2).

Prohibition of non-essential production (No. 13).

Returns relating to artificial silk yarn.

Taking possession of land, &amp;c. (731).

Telephonic communications control.

Use of land (51).

Vegetable seeds (No. 3).

Order by Chief Warden—Victoria (dated 21st June, 1943).

Orders by State Premiers—

Queensland (dated 30th June, 1943).

Victoria (Nos. 48-50).

Western Australia (2—dated 5th July, 1943).

National Security (General) Regulations and National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—Order by Premier of New South Wales (No. 39).

National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (248).

National Security (Land Transport) Regulations—Order—South Australia (No. 11).

National Security (Man Power) Regulations—Orders—

Man Power (Local Appeal Boards).

Pharmaceutical chemists (Supplementary information).

Protected undertakings (221).

Registration of—

Chemists.

Dentists.

Pharmaceutical chemists.

Psychologists.

Regulation of engagement of employees—Exemption.

National Security (Maritime Industry) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 38-40.

National Security (Meat Industry Control) Regulations—Orders—

Meat (Nos. 6, 8-14, 16-28).

Meat (Returns) (Nos. 1-6).

Stock (Nos. 1-5, 7-10).

National Security (Munitions) Regulations—Order—Agricultural machinery and plant for processing food products.

National Security (Prices) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 1054-1209.

National Security (Stevedoring Industry) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 15A, 20-25.

National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—Orders by State Premiers—

New South Wales (Nos. 37, 38).

Queensland (2—dated 7th July, 1943, and 13th August, 1943).

South Australia (No. 4 of 1943).

National Security (War Damage to Property) Regulations—Orders—Public authorities (3).

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, Nos. 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 172, 173, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 229, 230, 231.

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Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, Nos. 201, 202.  
 Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—  
 Regulations—1943—  
     No. 2 (Motor Vehicles Ordinance).  
     No. 3 (Marine Ordinance).  
 Northern Territory Representation Act and Commonwealth Electoral Act—Regulations—  
 Statutory Rules 1943, No. 176.  
 Papua and New Guinea Bounties Act—Return for year 1942-43.  
 Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 215.  
 Raw Cotton Bounty Act—Return for 1942.  
 Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 191.  
 Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the  
 Australian Capital Territory for year 1942-43.  
 Ship Bounty Act—Return for year 1942-43.  
 Sulphur Bounty Acts—Return for year 1942-43.  
 Supply and Development Acts—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 164.  
 Tractor Bounty Acts—Return for year 1942-43.  
 Wine Export Bounty Act—Return for year 1942-43.  
 Wire Netting Bounty Act—Return for year 1942-43.

5. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Mr. Watkins moved, That the honorable Member for Kennedy (Mr. Riordan) be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House, which motion was seconded by Mr. Sheehan.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Forde (Deputy Prime Minister), Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition), and Mr. Fadden congratulated Mr. Riordan, who made his acknowledgments to the House.

6. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—Mr. Chambers brought up the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech, prepared by the Committee appointed at the previous sitting, and the same was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament.

Mr. Chambers moved, That the Address be agreed to.

Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Sir Earle Page 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.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to three o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Brennan, Mr. Curtin, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

F. C. GREEN,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*