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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 6.

THURSDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1943.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (JOINT).—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1936*, the following Members be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, viz. :—
Mr. Conclan, Mr. Harrison, Mr. James, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Rankin and Sir Frederick Stewart.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Australian Wool Board—Seventh Annual Report, for year 1942-43.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—
Devonport, Tasmania.
Footscray, Victoria.
Forbes, New South Wales.
Sale, Victoria.
Seymour, Victoria.
Wynnum, Queensland.
National Security Act—National Security (Land Transport) Regulations—Order—New South Wales (No. 5).
Primary Producers Relief (Superphosphate) Act—Report for period March-June, 1943.
Superphosphate Bounty Act—Return for year 1942-43.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall, on each day of sitting, have precedence of all other Business, except on that Thursday on which, under the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the question is put "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair". On such Thursday General Business shall have precedence of Government Business until nine o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
5. COMMONWEALTH INSCRIBED STOCK BILL 1943.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act 1911-1940*.
Question—put and passed.
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	£8,380
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be agreed to.

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

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr. Hutchinson be granted extensions of time (2).

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Riordan 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. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Breen, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Corser, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Forde, Mr. Rankin, Sir Frederick Stewart, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. White.

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