## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 7.

## FRIDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 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. RETURN TO WRIT (NORTHERN TERRITORY) .- The Clerk announced that he had received from the Military and Official Secretary to His Excellency the Governor-General the Return to the Writ for the Northern Territory, the election for which was held on the 21st August, 1943, in connexion with the General Election for the House of Representatives, and by the endorsement thereon it was certified that Adair Macalister Blain had been elected in pursuance of such Writ.
- 3. Leave of Absence to Member .-- Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That leave of absence for the remainder of the Session be given to the honorable Member for the Northern Territory (Mr. Blain), on the ground of his absence from Australia as a prisoner of war. Question—put and passed.
- 4. Presentation of Address in Reply.-Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Address in Reply would be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House at twelve o'clock noon on Thursday next.

Mr. Speaker said he would be glad if the mover and seconder, together with other honorable Members, would accompany him to present the Address.

5. 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

be agreed to.

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

Debate continued.

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

Debate continued.

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.

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

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, Nos. 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 249, 250. National Security Act-

National Security (General) Regulations-

By-laws—Controlled area.

Orders

Taking possession of land, &c. (223). Use of land (12).

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, Nos. 232, 239, 240, 241, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256. Superannuation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 248. War Service Estates Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 234.

7. Adjournment.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Blain\*, Mr. Breen, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Corser, Mr. Dedman, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Forde, Mr. Langtry, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Ryan, Sir Frederick Stewart, Mr. Watkins,

Mr. White, and Mr. Williams.

• On leave.

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