## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

No. 66.

## FRIDAY, 27TH JULY, 1945.

- 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. Australian Forces-War Strength and Operational Control-Ministerial Statement.-Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the decisions of the Government on the recommendations of the Advisory War Council with reference to the future strength and role of the Australian Forces in the war in the Pacific, following the rapid advances made in operations, and with reference to the future operational control of the Forces.
- 3. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1945, No. 111.

Lands Acquisition Act-Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes-Clapham Junction, Queensland.

National Security Act-

National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations-Order-Papua and New Guinea (Control of prohibited articles) (No. 2).

Regulations-Statutory Rules 1945, Nos. 108, 109, 110.

4. COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL (WAR-TIME) BILL 1945.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time-

Debate resumed. 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. Clark reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Johnson (Minister for the Interior), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

5. Australian National Airlines Bill 1945.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Daly was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered--That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past four 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. Blain\*, Mr. Breen, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Coles, Mr. Fadden, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Holt,

Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Makin, Mr. Martens, Mr. McEwen, Mr. McLeod,

Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Scully, Sir Frederick Stewart, Mr. Watkins, Mr. White, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Wilson.

• On leave.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.