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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 99.

FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1946.

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. DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS ARMY EQUIPMENT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Forde (Minister for the Army), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the disposal of surplus truck and motor tyres at Morotai and surplus army equipment stored at other places.
  3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Royal Highness the Governor-General—
    - Coal Miners—Report of a National Survey of the Health of Coal Miners, by Sir Raphael Cilento, Dr. H. M. L. Murray, and Mr. David T. Brewster.
    - Coal Mining Industry—Report of Mr. Justice Davidson, Commissioner appointed under National Security Regulations.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
    - The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
      - Hospital Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1946, No. 52.
      - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—
        - Cairns, Queensland.
        - Portland, Victoria.
        - Yeronga, Queensland.
      - National Security Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (168).
      - Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1946—
        - No. 1—Licensing Court (Adjournment of Proceedings).
        - No. 2—Darwin Leases (Special Purposes).
        - No. 3—Licensing.
  4. FOREIGN AFFAIRS—MISSIONS OVERSEAS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Evatt (Minister for External Affairs), That the Paper [*presented on the 13th March, 1946*], viz. :—
    - Foreign Affairs—Missions Overseas—Ministerial Statement, 13th March, 1946—be printed—
    - Debate resumed.
    - Mr. Hughes 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.
  5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Evatt (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at two minutes to five 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. Adermann, Mr. J. A. Beasley, Mr. Blain, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Holt, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Martens, Mr. McLeod, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

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

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