THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 23.

FRIDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1947.

- 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. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m. Question—put and passed.
- 3. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

 Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—National Security (Shipping Co-ordination)

 Regulations—Orders—1947, Nos. 4, 5.
- 4. Stevedoring Industry Charge Assessment Bill 1947.—Mr. Evatt (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Imposition, Assessment and Collection of a Charge in respect of the Employment of Waterside Workers. Question—put and passed.
- 5. Stevedoring Industry Bill 1947.—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—

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

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Debate continued.

Mr. Gaha 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.

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Evatt (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past three o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Blain, Mr. Burke, Mr. Conelan, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Holloway, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. McBride, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Sheehy, Mr. Spender, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Watkins.

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