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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE OF

No. 127.

WEDNESDAY, 21st APRIL, 1948.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. PAPERS.-The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Commonwealth Public Service Act-Appointments-Department-

Health-J. F. Funder.

Interior-R. A. Borland, B. F. Cane, E. L. R. Forbes, O. D. Gaffney, P. Liiv, B. C. Oliver, R. R. Parr, J. W. Slater.

Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act-National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations-Orders-Inventions and designs (12). Lands Acquisition Act-Land acquired for-

Department of Civil Aviation purposes-Kalgoorlie, Western Australia.

Postal purposes-

South Yarra, Victoria.

Spring Hill, Queensland.

Yass, New South Wales.

3. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS .- Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That Government Business shall take precedence over General Business to-morrow. Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Closure.--Mr. Pollard (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture) moved, That the question be now put. Question—That the question be now put—put. The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Rosevear, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 37.		N	Noes, 24.	
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mrs. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chambers Mr. Chifley Mr. Clark	Mr. Haylen Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson Mr. Lawson Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. McLeod Mr. Mulcahy Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Abbott Mr. Adermann Mr. Anthony Mr. Beale Mr. Bowden Mr. Cameron Mr. Davidson Mr. Falkinder Mar. Gullett	Mr. McBride Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Sir Earle Page Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wbite	
Mr. Conelan Mr. Daly Mr. Dedman Mr. Drakeford Mr. Duthie Mr. Edmonds Mr. Evatt Mr. Falstein Mr. Fraser Mr. Gaha Mr. Iladley	Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Williams <i>Pellers</i> : Mr. Fuller Mr. Sheehan	Mr. Hamilton Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Lang Dame Enid Lyons	<i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Corser Mr. McDonald	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. F.6632.

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	Ayes, 37.	
	Mr. Haylen Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson Mr. Lawson Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. McLeod Mr. Mulcahy Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell	Mr. Abbott Mr. Aderma Mr. Anthon Mr. Beale Mr. Bowden Mr. Camero Mr. Davidso Mr. Falkind Mr. Gullett Mr. Hamilto Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchin Mr. Lang Dame Enid
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And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put— The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Rosevear, in the Chair)—

> Mr. McBride Mr. McEwen Adermann Mr. Menzies Sir Earle Page Anthony Beale 3owden Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Turnbull Jameron Davidson Mr. White Falkinder Jullett Iamilton Iughes Tellers: Hutchinson Mr. Corser Lang Mr. McDonald Enid Lyons

Noes, 24.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS—STATEMENT BY MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister), That the Paper [presented on the 11th March, 1948], viz. :— International Affairs—Statement prepared by the Minister for External Affairs, 11th March, 1948—

be printed-

Debate resumed.

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

Debate continued.

Mr. Gullett 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5, Government Business.
- 6. REPRESENTATION BILL 1948.—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. Cameron 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.

7. ADJOURNMENT.---Mr. Holloway (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

- And then the House, at eighteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Fadden, Mr. Francis, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Howse, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Scully, Mr. Sheehy, Mr. Spender and Mr. Watkins.

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F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.