### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 70.

### THURSDAY, 22ND MAY, 1952.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Northern Territory (Administration) Act-

Ordinances—1952— No. 17—Crown Lands.

No. 18—Cemeteries.

Regulations-1952-Nos. 2 and 3 (Health Ordinance).

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Ordinances—1952-

No. 2—Maintenance Orders.
No. 3—Bank Holidays.
No. 4—Workmen's Compensation.

No. 5-Education.

Regulations—1952—
No. 5—(Education Ordinance).
No. 6—(Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Ordinance).

No. 7—(Rural Workers Accommodation Ordinance).
No. 8—(Building and Services Ordinance).
No. 9—(Liquor Ordinance).

3. Adjournment-Motion for Purpose of Discussion.—Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) proposing to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The operation and administration of the import restrictions as imposed by the Government on 8th March last in relation to the United Kingdom and the sterling area, and of the import restrictions announced by the Government on 20th March and 9th May last in relation to the dollar area "

Mr. Speaker called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Evatt moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

- The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 92.
  - 4. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1952 .- Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council), for Mr. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service), moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1951. Question—put and passed.
  - 5. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILIZATION (REFUND OF CHARGE) BILL 1952.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council), for Mr. McEwen (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture), moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment, through the Australian Wheat Board, to Growers of Wheat of a certain Season of certain Moneys in the Wheat Prices Stabilization Fund.

Question—put and passed. Mr. Eric J. Harrison then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Calwell 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.

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6. Public Works Committee—Re-submission of Work—National Library and Roosevelt MEMORIAL, CANBERRA.—Mr. Kent Hughes (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1951, the following proposed work be again referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report, namely:—The erection of the National Library and Roosevelt Memorial, Canberra.

Mr. Kent Hughes laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 7. Order of the Day No. 1—Supply ["Grievance Day"].—It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., Order of the Day No. 1 ("Grievance Day"—pursuant to Standing Order No. 291) was not called on, and the Committee of Supply was set down for the next sitting.
- 8. Supply Bill (No. 1) 1952-53.—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. Berry 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 a later hour this day.

9. Conciliation and Arbitration Bill 1952.—Mr. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1951'", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) 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.

10. Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Bill (No. 2) 1952.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given on the 20th May, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Act 1936-1951, as amended by the 'Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Act 1952', and for other purposes' and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Sir Arthur Fadden moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Calwell 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.

11. SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1952-53.—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. Davis 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.

12. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:--

[High Commissioner Bill 1952]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 87.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the High Commissioner Act 1909-1945'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

President.

[Spirits Bill 1952]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 88.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Spirits Act 1906-1947'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

Message No. 89.

MR. SPEAKER, The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Whaling Industry Act 1949'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

President.

The Senate,

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#### [Australian War Memorial Bill 1952]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 90.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Australian War Memorial Act 1925'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER.

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

[Air Force Bill 1952]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 91.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Air Force Act 1923-1950'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

[Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Bill 1952]— Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 92.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1950", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

[Naval Defence Bill 1952]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 93.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Naval Defence Act 1910-1949'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

[Northern Territory Acceptance Bill 1952]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 94.

President.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Northern Territory Acceptance Act 1910-1919", as amended by the Northern Australia Act 1926", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

President.

[Aluminium Industry Bill 1952]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 95.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Aluminium Industry Act 1944'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Edward Mattner,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd May, 1952.

President.

13. Adjournment.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-nine minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Howse, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Townley, Mr. Treloar, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Wight.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.