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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 140.

THURSDAY, 19TH MARCH, 1953.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Sirex Wood Wasp—Report of Special Committee on Quarantine Precautions. Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Commonwealth Railways Act—Annual Report for 1951-52. Defence Transition (Residual Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations-Order-Inventions and designs.

Public Service Act-Appointment-Department of the Interior-H. K. Arnold.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.-RESERVATION OF BILL.-The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :-

W. J. McKELL,

Governor-General.

Message No. 120.

Proposed Law intituled "Royal Style and Titles Act 1953" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General, His Excellency has, under Section 58 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia. reserved the proposed Law for The Queen's pleasure.

Government House,

Canberra, 17th March, 1953.

4. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' FURLOUGH BILL 1953.-Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Employees' Furlough Act 1943-1951.

Question—put and passed.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second 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.

5. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL 1953 .- Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Public Service Act 1922-1951. Question—put and passed.

Sir Arthur Fadden then brought up the Bill accordingly, 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. 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.

6. ATOMIC ENERGY BILL 1953 .- Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Atomic Energy. Question—put and passed.

Mr. Beale then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question-put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Beale moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second 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. F.2180.

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 7. SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1953-54.—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 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. 				
8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL 1953.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—				
Mr. Speaker,				Message No. 200.
The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Commonwealth Bank Act 1945-1951', and for other purposes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.				
G. J. RANKIN,				
The Senate,	01 34 1 1070]	Deputy President.
Canberra, 19th March, 1953.				
 9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Mr. J. R. Fraser addressing the House— Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put. Question—That the question be now put—put. The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)— AXES, 48. 				
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Howse	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis Mr. Freeth	Mr. Huime	Sir E. Page	Tellers :
Mr. Ca sey Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Jack Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Swartz Mr. Timson	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Townley	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turnbull	
Nozs, 28.				
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Duthie	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa Mr. Crean	Mr. Ewert Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Minogue Mr. Pollard	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Riordan	Tellers:
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Russell	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Fuller

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Failes, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Joske, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson*, Mr. Leslie, Mr. McDonald*, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Treloar* and Mr. Watkins.

• On leave.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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