THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 100.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

- The House met, at three o'clock p.m., according to the terms of the Resolution of the 16th June last.— Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Message from the Governor-General.—Reason for Calling out the Citizen Forces.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Mr. Speaker :-

By Proclamation dated 2nd September, 1939, issued in pursuance of Section 46 of the Defence Act 1903-1939, I have, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, called out the Citizen Forces for war service, and pursuant to that section I communicate to the House of Representatives that the reason for calling out the Citizen Forces was the existence of danger of war.

Governor-General.

6th September, 1939.

3. War with Germany-Ministerial Statement-Motion for Printing Paper.-Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the events which led to the outbreak of war with Germany, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Text of Documents exchanged between the United Kingdom and German Governments from

22nd August, 1939, to the outbreak of war, 3rd September, 1939, and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Suspension of Standing Order No. 119.—Mr. Menzies moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 119 be suspended to enable the debate to proceed without interruption.

Question—put and passed.

Debate on motion ensued.

Mr. Gardner 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.

4. TRADING WITH THE ENEMY BILL 1939.-Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), for Mr. Hughes (Attorney-General), moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Trading with the Enemy.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Menzies 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.

- Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 5. JUDICIARY BILL 1939.—Mr. Hughes (Attorney-General) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Judiciary Act 1903-1937.

Question—put and passed. Mr. Hughes 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.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

6. NATIONAL SECURITY BILL 1939.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to make provision for the Safety and Defence of the Commonwealth and its Territories during the present state of War.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Menzies 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.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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7. Messages from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bills.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were received, and were read by Mr. Speaker:-

Governor-General.

Message No. 78.

A Proposed Law intituled "Supply and Development Act 1939" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Law.

· Admiralty House,

Sydney, 17th June, 1939.

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 79.

Proposed Laws intituled :--

- " Invalid and Old-age Pensions Appropriation Act 1939"
 "National Health and Pensions Insurance Act 1939"

" Supply Act (No. 1) 1939-40"

" States Grant's (Youth Employment) Act 1939"

" National Registration Act 1939 '

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Admiralty House,

Sydney, 20th June, 1939.

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 80.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

" Aliens Registration Act 1939"

" Defence Act 1939 '

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Admiralty House,

Sydney, 21st June, 1939.

- 8. THE LATE MR. W. W. KILLEN.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mrs. Killen a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of sympathy.
- 9. THE LATE HONORABLE A. G. OGILVIE.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received letters, thanking the House for its Resolution of sympathy, from the family of the late Honorable A. G. Ogilvie, and the Government of Tasmania.
- 10. Papers.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Bank Act—Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank and Statement of the Liabilities and Assets of the Note Issue Department, as at 30th June, 1939; together with Auditor-General's Reports thereon.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Air Force Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 64.

Apple and Pear Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 50. Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1939—

- No. 14—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.
- No. 15—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia. No. 16—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.

- No. 17—Commonwealth Telephone Officers' Association.

 No. 18—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.

 No. 19—Amalgamated Engineering Union; Australasian Society of Engineers; and Boilermakers' Society of Australia.

No. 20—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service. No. 21—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

No. 22-Australian Postal Electricians' Union; Australian Third Division Telegraphists' ustralian Postal Electricians Union; Australian Third Division Telegraphists' and Postal Clerks' Union; Commonwealth Telephone Officers' Association; Federated Public Service Assistants' Association; Fourth Division Officers' Association of the Department of Trade and Customs; Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union; Meat Inspectors' Association, Commonwealth Public Service; and Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 56. Commonwealth Public Service Act—

Appointments—Department-

Civil Aviation—F. B. Martin, J. A. McCormack, G. S. Wiggins.

Health—A. J. Gumley. Interior—M. Fizelle, J. F. McConnell.

Postmaster-General—J. M. Santamaria.

Regulations Amended-Statutory Rules 1939, Nos. 52, 62, 65.

Regulations (Parliamentary Officers) Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 59.

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Defence Act-
                    Defence (Monetary Control) Regulations-Statutory Rules 1939, No. 77.
              Defence (National Security) Regulations—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 77.

Defence (National Security) Regulations—Statutory Rules 1939, Nos. 73, 74, 75, 76.

Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, Nos. 51, 58, 82.

Defence Act and Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, Nos. 53,
               Excise Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 60.
               Iron and Steel Products Bounty Act—Return for year 1938-39.
               Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired-
                    For Administrative purposes—Darwin, Northern Territory. For Banking purposes—Ashfield, New South Wales.
                    For Defence purposes—
Bullsbrook, Western Australia.
                          Darwin (near), Northern Territory (2).
                          Forest Hill, New South Wales.
                          Glenorchy, Tasmania.
Heidelberg, Victoria.
Newcastle, New South Wales.
                          Nowra, New South Wales.
                          Port Adelaide, South Australia.
                          Red Cliffs, Victoria.
                           Terang, Victoria.
                    For Defence purposes and Administrative purposes-Darwin, Northern Territory.
                    For Postal purposes-
                          Granville, New South Wales.
Irishtown, Tasmania.
Riddell's Creek, Victoria.
Smithfield, South Australia.
              Ungarie, New South Wales.

Motor Industry Bounty Act—Return for year 1938–39.

National Registration Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 55.
               Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 72.
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance of 1939—No. 2—Passion Fruit Industry Assistance Agreement.
               Papua Act-
                    Infirm and Destitute Natives' Account-Statement of Transactions of Trustees for year
                          1938-39.
                    Ordinances of 1939-
              No. 1—Supply, 1939–1940.
No. 2—Petroleum (Prospecting and Mining).
Papua and New Guinca Bounties Act—Return for year 1938–39.
               Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 57.
               Post and Telegraph Act and Post and Telegraph Rates Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory
                    Rules 1939, No. 66.
              Quarantine Act—Regulation Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 49.
              Raw Cotton Bounty Act—Return for year 1938-39.
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—
                    Ordinance of 1939—No. 5—Hospital Tax (No. 2).
                    Regulations-
                          Advisory Council Ordinance.
                          Cemeteries Ordinance.
              Sulphur Bounty Act—Return for year 1938-39.
              Wine Export Bounty Act—Return for year 1938-39.
Wine Grapes Charges Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 54.
11. Adjournment.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
      Question—put and passed.
And then the House, at three 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).
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F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.