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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 64.

FRIDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY, 1942.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., according to the terms of the Resolution of the 17th December last.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. SECRET MEETING.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That a Joint Meeting of Members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives be convened for 4 o'clock p.m. this day for the purpose of discussing in secret the present war and hearing confidential reports in relation thereto. Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

Suspension of Sitting.—At thirteen minutes past three o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Resumption of Sitting.—At five minutes past ten o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 55.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

- “ *Income Tax Act (No. 2) 1941* ”
“ *Income Tax Assessment Act (No. 2) 1941* ”
“ *War Tax Act 1941* ”

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.

Government House,
Canberra, 18th December, 1941.

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 29.
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1941—
 - No. 39—Arms, Explosives and Munitions Workers' Federation of Australia.
 - No. 40—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia ; and Arms, Explosives and Munitions Workers' Federation of Australia.
 - No. 41—Commonwealth Temporary Clerks' Association.
 - No. 42—Commonwealth Telegraph Traffic and Supervisory Officers' Association.
 - 1942—
 - No. 1—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
 - No. 2—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 - No. 3—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.
 - No. 4—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
 - No. 5—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 - No. 6—Commonwealth Telephone Officers' Association ; and Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
 - No. 7—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
 - Audit Act—Transfers of amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial year 1940-41.
 - Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1941, No. 305.
 - Bankruptcy Act—
 - Rules—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 6.
 - Thirteenth Annual Report by Attorney-General, for year ended 31st July, 1941.
 - Commonwealth Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—
 - 1941, Nos. 309 (Parliamentary Officers), 310.
 - 1942, No. 45.

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- Customs Act—Proclamations prohibiting the Exportation (except under certain conditions) of—
Casein and manufactures thereof ; Corkwood, cork waste and manufactures of cork ; Fish
oil and other oils of marine origin ; Silicon carbide grains and manufactures thereof ;
Drugs and chemicals (dated 7th January, 1942).
Leather ; manufactures wholly or mainly of leather (dated 17th December, 1941).
- Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942,
No. 28.
- Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—
1941, Nos. 306, 311.
1942, Nos. 35, 38, 44, 59, 60.
- Defence Act and Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—
1941, No. 308.
1942, No. 27.
- Income Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1941, No. 327.
- Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act—Statement for year 1940-41.
- Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired—
For Administrative purposes—Darwin, Northern Territory.
For Banking purposes—Goondiwindi, Queensland.
For Defence purposes—
Albany, Western Australia (2).
Amberley, Queensland.
Ballarat, Victoria.
Bassendean, Western Australia.
Beelerup, Western Australia.
Brighton, Tasmania.
Cheltenham, South Australia.
Cootamundra, New South Wales.
Cowra, New South Wales.
Darley, Victoria.
Darwin, Northern Territory (2).
Deloraine, Tasmania.
Dubbo, New South Wales.
Evans Head, New South Wales (2).
Geraldton, Western Australia.
Glenorchy, Tasmania.
Granton, Tasmania.
Horn Island, Queensland.
Kalgoorlie, Western Australia.
Maribyrnong, Victoria.
Maryborough, Queensland (2).
Morphett Vale, South Australia.
Mount Martha, Victoria.
Nhill, Victoria.
Ovingham Park, South Australia.
Parafield, South Australia.
Pat's River, Flinders Island, Tasmania.
Prospect, South Australia.
Puckapunyal, Victoria.
Riddell, Victoria.
Rocklea, Queensland.
Salisbury, South Australia.
St. Marys, New South Wales.
Wagga Wagga, New South Wales.
Winchelsea, Victoria.
- For Postal purposes—
Bowral, New South Wales.
Corbie Hill, New South Wales.
Monto, Queensland.
Naracoopa, King Island, Tasmania.
North Adelaide, South Australia.
Shepparton, Victoria.
Ulverstone, Tasmania.
Whyalla, South Australia.
- For Postal, Telegraphic, Telephonic and other like services—
Penrith, New South Wales.
- For Repatriation purposes—Kenmore, Queensland.
- For Seat of Government purposes—Australian Capital Territory (Parish of Urayarra).
- National Security Act—
National Security (Exchange Control) Regulations—Order—Exemption.
National Security (Fair Rents) Regulations—Rules—Australian Capital Territory, and
Darwin, Northern Territory.
National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—
Control of highways.
Control of lights (2).
Inventions and designs (202).

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Prohibited places (7).
 Prohibiting work on land (3).
 Protected areas (3).
 Taking possession of land, &c. (205).
 Use of land (61).

National Security (Maritime Industry) Regulations—Order—Qualifications of Seamen.
 National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—Orders—Deferment of banking business (10).

National Security (War-time Banking Control) Regulations—Orders—Exemption (2).
 Regulations—Statutory Rules—

1941, Nos. 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 314, 316, 317, 318, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326.

1942, Nos. 1, 2, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 62, 65, 66, 67.

Nationality Act—Return for 1941.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—

1941, No. 307.

1942, Nos. 8, 25, 26, 48.

Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules—

1941, No. 315.

1942, No. 30.

New Guinea Act—Ordinance—1941—No. 22—Appropriation 1941—1942.

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Crown Lands Ordinance—Reasons for resumption of reservation of certain lands near Alice Springs.

Papua Act—Ordinances—1941—

No. 12—Matrimonial Causes.

No. 13—Native Labour.

No. 14—Post and Telegraph.

No. 15—Customs Tariff (No. 3).

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 5.

Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 61.

Science and Industry Research Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 7.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1942—

No. 1—Careless Use of Fire.

No. 2—Building and Services.

No. 3—Enemy Raids Precautions.

No. 4—Public Parks.

No. 5—Cinematograph Films.

No. 6—Education.

No. 7—Scaffolding and Lifts.

Regulations—1942—

No. 1 (Police Ordinance).

No. 2 (Building and Services Ordinance).

Supply and Development Acts—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 3, 47.

Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1941, No. 319.

5. MINISTERIAL DUTIES.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) announced that Senator Fraser, in addition to his duties of Minister for External Territories and Minister assisting the Minister for Commerce, would assist the Minister for the Army.

6. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.
 Question—put and passed.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes past ten 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, Sir Earle Page, and Mr. White.

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