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WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 1943.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Dairying Industry-Interim and Second Reports of Committee appointed to report on matters affecting the Dairying Industry.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

- Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—1943—No. 5—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia; Amalgamated Engineering Union; and Australasian Society of Engineers.
- Canned Fruits Export Control Act-Sixteenth Annual Report of the Australian Canned Fruits Board, for year 1941-42, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
- Customs Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1943, No. 11.
- Dairy Produce Export Control Act—Seventeenth Annual Report of the Australian Dairy Produce Board, for year 1941-42, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.
- Dried Fruits Export Control Act-Eighteenth Annual Report of the Dried Fruits Control Board, for year 1941-42, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Lands Acquisition Act-Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes-

Coburg, Victoria.

Glen Davis, New South Wales. Glenorchy, Tasmania. Gympie, Queensland.

Maribyrnong, Victoria. Pat's River, Flinders Island, Tasmania.

Meat Export Control Act-Seventh Annual Report of the Australian Meat Board, for year 1941-42, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act. National Security Act-

National Security (Civil Defence Workers' Compensation) Regulations-Order by State Premier-Tasmania.

National Security (General) Regulations-Orders-

Air restrictions.

Control of-

Citrus fruits.

Clothing.

Electricity generator and engine investigation.

Prohibited places (2).

Prohibiting work on land (7).

Protected areas.

Taking possession of land, &c. (180).

Use of land (9).

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Ordinances-1943

No. 1-Licensing. No. 2-Darwin Rates (War-time Remission).

Wine Overseas Marketing Act-Fourteenth Annual Report of the Australian Wine Board, for year 1941-42, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

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- 3. THE WAR-DECLARATION OF POLICY.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), That this House, at its first meeting in the year 1943, in the fourth year of war with Germany and Italy, and in the second year of war with Japan, declares—
 - (1) Australia's indissoluble unity with the British Commonwealth of Nations, and its unswerving loyalty to the cause of the United Nations and its admiration for the heroic efforts of the Allied forces;
 - (2) Its pride in the bravery and achievements of the Australian forces, in all theatres, and its intention to make provision for their re-instatement and advancement and for the dependants of those who have died or been disabled as a consequence of the war; and
 - (3) Its determination to use the whole of the man-power and material resources of the nation in order to ensure the maximum war effort necessary to bring about victory, and arising therefrom to provide the requisite measures to promote the national welfare of the whole of the Australian people—

Debate resumed.

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

Debate continued.

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

Mr. Hutchinson 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 a later hour this day.

4. DEFENCE (CITIZEN MILITARY FORCES) BILL 1943.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Fadden (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. THE WAR-DECLARATION OF POLICY.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), That this House, at its first meeting in the year 1943, in the fourth year of war with Germany and Italy, and in the second year of war with Japan, declares—
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Debate resumed.

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

Question-put and passed.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Forde (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute 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. Blain*, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Jolly, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Scullin*, and Mr. White*.

• On leave.

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

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