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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 132.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1943.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PROSECUTION OF RELATIVE OF SOLDIER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Forde (Minister for the Army), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of certain circumstances connected with the prosecution of a relative of a soldier at Cheltenham, Victoria.
Mr. Calwell, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—INCOME TAX BILL 1943.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 172.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to impose a Tax upon Incomes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill as amended by the House at the request of the Senate.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 16th March, 1943.

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
National Security Act—
National Security (General) Regulations—Orders by State Premiers—South Australia (2),
Victoria.
National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—Orders by State Premiers—Queensland,
Western Australia.
Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1943, No. 53.
5. AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS' REPATRIATION BILL 1943.—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.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2—

Mr. Spender moved, That the clause be postponed.

Debate ensued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

And then the House, at twenty minutes past 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. Badman, Mr. Blain*, Mr. Corser, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Guy, Mr. Scullin*, Mr. Scully, and Mr. White*.

* On leave.

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