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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 3.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY, 1944.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.— Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. James (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works :—
Report relating to the proposed erection of a Hostel at Canberra, Australian Capital Territory.
3. REFERENDUM—VOTING BY MEMBERS OF THE FORCES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Forde (Minister for the Army), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the arrangements made to enable members of the fighting services in the South-West Pacific area and other places to record their votes at the forthcoming referendum.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—Coniston, New South Wales.
National Security Act—
National Security (General) Regulations—Order—Press and broadcasting censorship.
National Security (Man Power) Regulations—Order—Control of pharmaceutical chemists.
5. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to :—
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—
We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—
Debate resumed.
Ordered—That Mr. James be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Sir Earle Page be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Ordered—That Mr. Harrison be granted extensions of time (2).
Ordered—That Mr. Evatt (Minister for External Affairs) be granted extensions of time (2).
Debate continued.
Mr. Morgan 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. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
Question—put and passed.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Ordered—That Mr. Holt be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., 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. Barnard, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Blain, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Martens, Mr. Scullin, and Mr. Watkins.

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

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