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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 4.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 1945.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. RESOLUTION OF CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF VENEZUELA.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a copy of a Resolution of the Congress of the United States of Venezuela, containing expressions of sympathy with, and wishes for the victory of, the cause of the United Nations.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Royal Highness the Governor-General—

Northern Territory—Report on Administration for year 1943-44.

Sugar—Protocol relating to the International Sugar Agreement (signed in London, 31st August, 1944).

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunal—Report for 1943-44.

Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1944, No. 186.

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1945, No. 15.

Customs Act—Customs Proclamation—No. 619.

Income Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1945, No. 12.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—

Laverton, Victoria.

Mile End, South Australia.

Saddleback Mountain, Kiama, New South Wales.

National Security Act—National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—Prohibiting work on land, and use of land (3).

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1945—No. 1—Mining.

Superannuation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1944, No. 181.

4. 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 Royal Highness the Governor-General be agreed to:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS—

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, to extend to Your Royal Highness a welcome to Australia, and to thank Your Royal Highness for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

Ordered—That Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) be granted extensions of time (2).

Ordered—That Mr. Hughes be granted extensions of time (2).

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr. Abbott be granted extensions of time (2).

Debate continued.

Mr. Holt 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.

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5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Makin (Minister for the Navy) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two 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. Blain, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Falstein, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. McEwen, and Mr. Watkins.

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