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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 8.

THURSDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1945.

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. MR. F. P. GOLDBERG—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Calwell (Minister for Information), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the terms of letters given by him to Mr. F. P. Goldberg for use during a visit to the United States of America.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

National Security Act—

National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations—Order—Papua and New Guinea (Administration) (No. 4).

National Security (General) Regulations—Order—Prohibited place.

National Security (Rationing) Regulations—Order—No. 73.

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. Fadden be granted an extension of time.

Ordered—That Mr. Johnson be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Hutchinson be granted an extension of time.

Ordered—That Mr. Hadley be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Mr. Williams 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. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—MOTOR VEHICLES MANUFACTURE LEGISLATION REPEAL BILL 1945.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 1.

The Senate has passed a Bill for " *An Act to repeal the ' Motor Vehicle Engine Bounty Act 1939' and ' Motor Vehicles Agreement Act 1940', and for other purposes* ", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,

Canberra, 8th March, 1945.

GORDON BROWN,  
President.

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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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 eight minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Blain, Mr. Clark, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Makin, Mr. Martens, Mr. Spender, Sir Frederick Stewart, and Mr. Watkins.

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