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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## No. 12.

FRIDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1945.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
  2. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE—STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, made a Statement with reference to the arrangements proposed by the Prime Minister in relation to Questions asked without notice.
  3. MINISTERIAL DUTIES.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence of Mr. Forde (Minister for the Army) and Mr. Evatt (Attorney-General and Minister for External Affairs) at the San Francisco Conference on World Organization, Senator Fraser would act as Minister for the Army, Mr. Beasley would act as Attorney-General, and that he would act as Minister for External Affairs. Mr. Curtin said that Mr. Dedman would represent the Acting Minister for the Army in the House of Representatives.
  4. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.  
Question—put and passed.
  5. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the intervening business be postponed until after Notices of Motion Nos. 1 and 2, General Business.
  6. REGULATION—MOTION FOR DISALLOWANCE.—Mr. Adermann moved, pursuant to notice, That Regulation 6B of the National Security (Allied Works) Regulations, made by Statutory Rules 1944, No. 161, be disallowed.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion withdrawn, by leave.
  7. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Address in Reply would be presented to His Royal Highness the Governor-General at Government House at half-past eleven o'clock a.m. on Wednesday next.  
Mr. Speaker said he would be glad if the mover and seconder, together with other honorable Members, would accompany him to present the Address.
  8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at two minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Barnard, Mr. Blain, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Forde, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Makin, Mr. Scully, Mr. Spender, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. White.

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