THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 83.

TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 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. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (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.
- 3. DARWIN-RETURN OF CIVILIAN POPULATION-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Johnson (Minister for the Interior), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the measures being taken to facilitate the return to Darwin of former civilian residents.
- 4. Adjournment-Motion for Purpose of Discussion.—Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The failure of the Government to take effective steps to settle the present widespread industrial trouble in New South Wales".

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—Mr. Menzies moved, That the House do now adjourn.

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

Debate continued.

Ordered-That Mr. Ward (Minister for Transport) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Question—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Rosevear, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 37.	
Mr. Adermann Mr. Anthony Mr. Bowden Mr. Cameron Mr. Fadden Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Hutchinson Dame Enid Lyons Mr. McDonald	Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Spender Tellers: Mr. Corser Mr. Guy	Mr. Barnard Mr. J. A. Beasley Mr. K. E. Beazley Mr. Brennan Mr. Bryson Mr. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chifley Mr. Clark Mr. Coles Mr. Conelan Mr. Daly Mr. Drakeford Mr. Falstein Mr. Forde Mr. Froser Mr. Frost Mr. Gaha Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson	Mr. Langtry Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. Makin Mr. Morgan Mr. Mountjoy Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Scullin Mr. Sheehy Mr. Smith Mr. Ward Mr. Williams Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Fuller Mr. Sheehan

And so it was negatived.

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5. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bill.—The following Message from His Royal Highness the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker:-

HENRY.

Governor-General.

Message No. 28.

A Proposed Law intituled "Charter of the United Nations Act 1945" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Royal Highness has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Law.

Government House,

Canberra, 24th September, 1945.

6. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Canned Fruits Export Control Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1945, No. 140.

Customs Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1945, No. 144.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—

Fremantle, Western Australia.

Penrith, New South Wales.

National Security Act-

National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—

Control of-

Boot nails and boot nailing machines—Revocation.

Cane rattan (No. 1)—Revocation.

Motor cycle spare parts—Revocation.

Screw wire—Revocation.

Restriction of pastrycooks' goods (New South Wales)—Revocation. Subterranean clover seed (Return of stocks) (No. 2).

National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations-Orders-Inventions and designs (109).

National Security (Supplementary) Regulations-Order by State Premier-Tasmania (dated 29th August, 1945).

National Security (Timber Control) Regulations-Order-Control of timber (No. 2)-Revocation.

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Ordinance—1945—No. 7—Inspection of Machinery.

7. Supply—Estimates 1945-46.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote-" Department of Commerce and Agriculture, £374,000"-further debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Department of Social Services, £632,000"—agreed to.

Vote—"Department of Social Services, £052,000 —agreed to.

Vote—"Department of Supply and Shipping, £288,000 "—agreed to.

Vote—"Department of External Territories, £40,000 "—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"Department of Immigration, £216,000 "—debated and agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

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

8. Adjournment. -- Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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. Abbott, Mr. Blain*, Mr. Breen, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Dedman, Mr. Evatt*, Mr. Francis, Mr. Hadley, Mr. Haylen*, Mr. Hughes, Mr. James, Mr. Lawson*, Mr. Martens, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Mulcahy*, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Scully*, Sir Frederick Stewart, and Mr. White*.

• On leave.

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