THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. OF

No. 114.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH JUNE, 1946.

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

Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1946, No. 100.

National Security Act-

National Security (General) Regulations—Order—Control of cotton materials—Revocation. National Security (Internment Camps) Regulations—Order—Internment camp (No. 12). National Security (Prices) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 2517-2542.

National Security (Prisoners of War) Regulations—Order—Prisoners of war camp (No. 16). National Security (Shipping Co-ordination) Regulations—Orders--1946, Nos. 15, 16.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1946, No. 98.
Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1946, No. 91.

Re-establishment and Employment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1946, Nos. 57, 85.

3. Message from the Governor-General..-Additional Estimates 1945-46. -The following Message from His Royal Highness the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :--

Governor-General.

Message No. 49.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-six, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Mackay, Queensland, 12th June, 1946.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That the following additional sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1945-46 for the services hereunder specified, viz. :--

PART I. - DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES - OTHER THAN BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS AND TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

XVI. - Defence and War (1939-45) Services --To be allocated to particular services by Supplementary Appropriation . . . 20,000,000

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Chifley moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY Ordered -- That Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 6 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 7, Government Business.
- 6. Ways and Means-Additional Estimates 1945-46.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

26th and 27th June, 1946.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Additional Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1945-46, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £20,000,000.

Question--put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

Resolved--That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, was adopted by the House.

Ordered -- That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Lazzarini do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

7. Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1945-46. -Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled $^{\circ}$ A Bill for an Act to grant and apply an additional sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirlieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-six, and to appropriate that sum ", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Chiffey moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Fadden 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.

8. Supply Bill (No. 1) 1946-47. The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time-

Debate resumed. Mr. Turnbull moved, That Mr. Blain be granted an extension of time.

Question -- put.

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

Ayes, 16.		Ne	Noes, 34.	
Mr. Abbott	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Langtry	
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Rankin	Mr. K. E. Beazley	Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Breen	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Spender	Mr. Bryson	Mr. McLeod	
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Burke	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Gullett	m 11	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Mountjoy	
Mr. Hutchinson	Tellers:	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Corser	Mr. Chifley	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. McEwen	Mr. Guy	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Russell	
	•	Mr. Daly	Mr. Sheehy	
		Mr. Dedman	Mr. Smith	
		Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	
		Mr. Fraser	Mr. Watkins	
		Mr. Frost	Mr. Williams	
		Mr. Gaha	m.n.	
		Mr. Hadley	Tellers:	
		Mr. Holloway	Mr. Fuller	
		Mr. James	Mr. Sheehan	

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight--

THURSDAY, 27TH JUNE, 1946.

Debate continued.

Question- -put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed : Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Lazzarini (Minister for Works and Housing), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 366), the Bill was read a third

9. Adjournment. Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question put and passed.

And then the House, at six minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Members Present All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. J. A. Beasley, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Clark, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lemmon Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. Martens, and Sir Frederick Stewart.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.