## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

## **PROCEEDINGS** AND

OF THE

## HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. OF

No. 88.

## TUESDAY, 30TH MAY, 1939.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Australian Broadcasting Commission—Publication of Journal—Ministerial Statement.—Mr. Harrison (Postmaster-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with regard to the proposal of the Australian Broadcasting Commission to publish a weekly journal.
- 3. Shipping in Chinese Waters-Ministerial Statement.-Sir Henry Gullett (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement regarding the pacific blockade imposed in 1937 by the Japanese against Chinese shipping.
- 4. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute— Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—No. 11 of 1939—Fourth Division Officers' Association of the Trade and Customs Department.
- 5. Supply and Development Bill 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House-

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

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the amendment moved by Mr. Forde, viz.:—That the words "Subject to the directions of the Governor-General and to the next succeeding sub-section," (page 2, lines 19-20) be omitted.

Amendment agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Forde, by leave, the following further amendments were made, after debate:—
Page 2, line 21, after "to" insert "arrangements for ascertaining costs and for the control and limitation of profits in relation to the production of munitions, and, subject to the directions of the Governor-General and to the next succeeding sub-section ".

Page 2, lines 29-31, omit paragraph (e).

Mr. Brennan moved, as a further amendment, That the following paragraph be inserted after paragraph

" (ea) the compulsory acquisition of real estate on just terms for purposes of defence; ". Debate continued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Collins, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini Mr. McHugh Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Pollard	Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehan Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Anthony Mr. Badman Mr. Casey Mr. Corser Mr. Fadden Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Jolly Mr. Lane	Sir Charles Marr Mr. McEwen Mr. Nairn Mr. Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Prowse Mr. Rankin Mr. Spender Sir Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. Thorby  Tellers: Mr. Gardner
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Nock

And so it was negatived. F.6356/37.

Mr. Forde moved, as a further amendment, That the following paragraphs be added to sub-clause

"(g) the construction and extension of roads and railways;

(h) the search for additional oil resources;

(i) the production of power alcohol from sugar or other vegetable crops;

(j) the production of oil from coal or shale; and

(k) the decentralisation of secondary industries, particularly defence industries.".

Debate continued.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Nairn reported accordingly.

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

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Casey (Minister for Supply and Development) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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. Barnard, Mr. Blain, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Mahoney, Mr. Makin, Mr. Maloney, Mr. Martens, Mr. McCall, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Scholfield, and Mr. White.

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