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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 3.

FRIDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1946.

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. SUPPLY.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House will, at the next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.
Question—put and passed.
3. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House will, at the next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.
Question—put and passed.
4. DAYS AND HOURS OF MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of business on each Tuesday at three o'clock p.m.; on each Wednesday and Thursday at half-past two o'clock p.m.; and on each Friday at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
Question—put and passed.
5. ORDER OF BUSINESS.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall, on each day of sitting, have precedence of all other Business, except on that Thursday on which, under the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the question is put "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair". On such Thursday General Business shall have precedence of Government Business until nine o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
6. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
7. TARIFF BOARD—REPORT ON PARTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES, TRACTORS AND CYCLES—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Pollard (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) laid upon the Table, by command of His Royal Highness the Governor-General, the following Paper:—
Tariff Board—Report on Parts for Motor Vehicles, Tractors and Cycles—Question of cancellation of By-laws—
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Mr. Cameron 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. SUGAR AGREEMENT—FRUIT INDUSTRY SUGAR CONCESSION COMMITTEE—FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Pollard (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) laid upon the Table, by command of His Royal Highness the Governor-General, the following Paper:—
Sugar Agreement—Fifteenth Annual Report of the Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee, for year ended 31st August, 1946—
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Mr. Anthony 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.

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9. **TARIFF BOARD—ANNUAL REPORT, 1945–46—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.**—Mr. Pollard (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) presented, pursuant to Statute, the following Paper :—
 Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Annual Report for year 1945–46, together with Summary of Recommendations—
 and moved, That the Report be printed.
 Mr. White 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.
10. **PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.**—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he would ascertain when it would be convenient for His Royal Highness the Governor-General to receive the Address in Reply, which had been agreed to at the previous sitting, and honorable Members would be notified accordingly.
11. **FOREIGN AFFAIRS— MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.**—Mr. Evatt (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the proposed peace treaties with Italy and other satellite powers, the present Assembly of the United Nations in New York, the occupation of Japan, the security and administrative proposals for the South-west Pacific area, and the general trends of foreign affairs and future foreign policy. Mr. Evatt then, by command of His Royal Highness the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper :—
 Foreign Affairs—Ministerial Statement, 8th November, 1946—
 and moved, That the Paper be printed.
 Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) 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.
12. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 Postmaster-General—R. L. O. Trainor.
 Works and Housing—E. B. Scobie.
13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question— put and passed.
- And then the House, at seventeen minutes to 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. Conelan, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McLeod.

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