

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

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JOURNALS OF THE SENATE

FRIDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1920.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at eleven a.m., pursuant to adjournment.
2. PRAYERS.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.
4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Senator de Largie, pursuant to notice, moved—That Senator R. S. Guthrie be granted two months' leave of absence to attend to urgent public business.
Question—put and passed.
5. POSTPONEMENT.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3
6. ESTIMATES AND BUDGET PAPERS 1920–21.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the Question—That the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1921, and the Budget Papers 1920–21, laid on the Table of the Senate on the 16th September, 1920, be printed.
Debate resumed.
On motion of Senator de Largie, the debate was adjourned.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.
7. COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—Order of the Day read for the consideration of the Bill, as reported.
Ordered—That the Bill be re-committed for the reconsideration of clause 21.
The Senate resolved itself into a Committee accordingly.

In the Committee.

Clause 21 again read—

On motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council (Senator Russell), the following amendment was made, after debate, viz. :—

Page 5, after "amended" (in line 28) insert the following new paragraph :—

“(a1) by inserting before the words ‘A County, District, or Local Court’ the words ‘the High Court or a Justice thereof, or’;”.

Clause 21, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with a further amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and Senator Bakhap, from the Committee, reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Bill, as reported a second time, be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

8. POSTPONEMENT.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be further postponed until after consideration of Order of the Day No. 4.
9. WESTRALIAN FARMERS AGREEMENT BILL.—The Vice-President of the Executive Council (Senator Russell), according to Order, moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
On motion of Senator de Largie, the debate was adjourned.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.
10. NEW GUINEA BILL.—The Minister for Repatriation (Senator E. D. Millen), according to Order, moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
On motion of Senator Earle, the debate was adjourned.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

11. **NEXT MEETING OF SENATE.**—The Minister for Repatriation (Senator E. D. Millen) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till eight p.m. on Wednesday next.
Senator Thomas moved an amendment, viz., leave out “eight p.m. on Wednesday”, insert “three p.m. on Thursday”.
Amendment agreed to.
Question—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn until three p.m. on Thursday next—put and passed.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Minister for Repatriation (Senator E. D. Millen) moved—That the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

The Senate adjourned at sixteen minutes to one p.m. till Thursday next at three p.m.
13. **ATTENDANCE.**—Present, all the Members except Senators Adamson (on leave), Bolton, Cox, Foll, Foster, Gardiner, R. S. Guthrie (on leave), Lynch (on leave), Plain, Reid, Rowell, Senior, and Wilson.

GEO. H. MONAHAN,
Clerk of the Senate.