

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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JOURNALS OF THE SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH MARCH, 1941.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at three p.m., pursuant to adjournment.
2. PRAYERS.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Northern Territory—Report on Administration of the Northern Territory, for year 1939–40.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Australian Broadcasting Commission Act—Eighth Annual Report and Balance-sheet of the Australian Broadcasting Commission, for year 1939–40.
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Commerce—G. E. Fewster.
Customs Act—Proclamations prohibiting the exportation (except under certain conditions) of—
Fish Livers (dated 12th March, 1941).
Worsted woollen or knitted goods or any other goods made wholly or partly from wool (dated 11th March, 1941).
Medical Research Endowment Act—Report by National Health and Medical Research Council on work done under the Act during the year 1940.
National Security Act—National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—
Prohibiting work on Land.
Protected area.
Taking possession of Land, &c. (98).
Use of Land (19).
4. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.
5. AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING COMMISSION BILL 1941.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to notice, moved—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Broadcasting Commission Act 1932–1940*.
Question—put and passed.
Bill presented, and on the motion of Senator McLeay read a first time.
Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.—Senator McLeay moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through its remaining stages without delay.
Question—put and passed, there being present an absolute majority of the whole number of Senators, and no dissentient voice.
Senator McLeay moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Senator Collings the debate was adjourned.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.
6. MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS—
Speech by President Roosevelt following enactment of Aid to Democracies Bill.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), by leave, made a Statement expressing, on behalf of the Senate and of the people of Australia, gratitude for the Speech delivered by President Roosevelt, in which, following upon the passing of the Aid to Democracies Bill, he pledged the assistance of the United States of America to Great Britain and her Allies.
Australian Advisory War Council.—Senator McLeay, by leave, informed the Senate that Dr. H. V. Evatt, K.C., M.P., had been sworn in as a member of the Australian Advisory War Council.
7. NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till Wednesday next at three p.m.
Question—put and passed.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay) moved—That the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
The Senate adjourned at sixteen minutes past four p.m. till Wednesday next at three p.m.
9. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Armstrong, Crawford, Allan MacDonald, and Wilson.

R. A. BROINOWSKI,
Clerk of the Senate.