

## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 84.

## JOURNALS OF THE SENATE.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1942.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at three p.m., in accordance with the terms of the Resolution of the Senate passed on 9th October, 1942.

2. PRAYERS.

3. VACANCY IN THE REPRESENTATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA—APPOINTMENT OF SENATOR CHARLES GEORGE LATHAM.—The President informed the Senate that, pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution, he had notified the Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Western Australia of the vacancy caused in the representation of that State in the Senate by the death of Senator Edward Bertram Johnston, and that he had received, through His Excellency the Governor-General, a certificate of the choice of Charles George Latham as a Senator to fill such vacancy.

The Certificate was laid on the Table, and read by the Clerk, as follows :—

Government House,  
Perth.  
8th October, 1942.

To His Excellency the Governor-General  
of the Commonwealth of Australia.

I have the honour to certify that at a joint sitting of the Houses of Parliament of the State of Western Australia, held at Perth on this date, the Members of such Houses sitting and voting together, in pursuance of Section 15 of "The Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act", did choose Charles George Latham, Farmer, of Naremburn, to hold the place rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward Bertram Johnston.

JAMES MITCHELL,  
Lieutenant-Governor.

*New Senator Sworn.*—Charles George Latham, Senator for the State of Western Australia, was then introduced and made and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance at the Table, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act.

4. GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S MESSAGES—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by the President :—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 35.

A Proposed Law intituled "*Statute of Westminster Adoption Act 1942*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Law.

Government House,  
Canberra, 9th October, 1942.

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 36.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

"*War Service Estates Act 1942*"

"*Dairying Industry Assistance Act 1942*"

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,  
Canberra, 13th October, 1942.

5. OFFICERS OF THE SENATE—CHANGES.—The President informed the Senate that, owing to the retirement of Mr. R. A. Broinowski from the position of Clerk of the Senate, the following changes had been made in regard to the officers in attendance in the Chamber :—

Mr. J. E. Edwards to be Clerk of the Senate.

Mr. R. H. C. Loof to be Clerk-Assistant.

Mr. W. I. Emerton to be Usher of the Black Rod and Clerk of Committees.

6. **DEATH OF THE HONORABLE W. H. LAIRD SMITH.**—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator Keane), by leave, moved—That the Senate expresses its deep regret at the death of the Honorable William Henry Laird Smith, a former member of the House of Representatives for the Division of Denison and Commonwealth Minister, places on record its appreciation of his meritorious public services, and extends its sincere sympathy to his widow and family in their bereavement.  
And the motion having been seconded by the Leader of the Opposition (Senator McLeay), and supported by Senators Gibson, Aylett and Herbert Hays—  
And all Senators present having risen, in silence—  
Question—passed.

7. **PAPER.**—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Science and Industry Research Act—Sixteenth Annual Report of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, for year 1941–42.  
Ordered to be printed.

8. **WAR EXPENDITURE—JOINT COMMITTEE—PROGRESS REPORTS.**—Senator A. J. McLachlan brought up the following reports from the Joint Committee on War Expenditure :—  
Fifth Progress Report (dated 4th November, 1942),  
Sixth Progress Report (dated 5th November, 1942).  
Ordered to be printed.

9. **PAPERS.**—The President laid on the Table the following Papers, viz. :—  
Pursuant to Statute—  
Commonwealth Bank Act—Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank and Statement of the Liabilities and Assets of the Note Issue Department, at 30th June, 1941 ; together with Auditor-General's Reports thereon.  
National Security Act—National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—  
Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank and Statement of the Liabilities and Assets of the Note Issue Department, as at 30th June, 1942 ; together with Auditor-General's Reports thereon.  
Statement of Australian Banking Statistics for the five quarters ended 30th June, 1942.

The following Paper was presented by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
National Security Act—National Security (Prices) Regulations—Declaration No. 108.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

- Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 416, 440, 441, 476.  
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—  
No. 34 of 1942—Australian Postal Electricians' Union and others ; Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association ; Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia ; Commonwealth Naval Storehousemen's Association ; and Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.  
No. 35 of 1942—Commonwealth Temporary Clerks' Association.  
No. 36 of 1942—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.  
No. 37 of 1942—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.  
No. 38 of 1942—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.  
No. 39 of 1942—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.  
No. 40 of 1942—Postal Overseers' Union of Australia.  
No. 41 of 1942—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.  
No. 42 of 1942—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.

Australian Imperial Force Canteens Funds Act—Auditor-General's Report on the Audit of the accounts of the Trustees of the Australian Imperial Force Canteens Fund, for year 1941–42.

Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 462.

Canned Fruit Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 433.

Commonwealth Public Service Act—

Appointments—Department of Defence—

M. E. Flower, J. I. Price, L. W. Southwell, and N. G. Turner.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 465, 466.

Commonwealth Shipping Act—Australian Commonwealth Shipping Board—Balance-sheets and Liquidation accounts of the Cockatoo Island Dockyard, certified to by the Auditor-General, for years ended 28th February, 1941, and 28th February, 1942.

Customs Act—

Proclamations prohibiting the exportation (except under certain conditions) of—  
Beer (dated 2nd December, 1942).

Bentonite ; Drugs and chemicals (dated 29th October, 1942).

Cane and rattan ; Dextrine ; Waxes (dated 9th October, 1942).

Grass tree gum (dated 13th November, 1942).

Yarns of silk or synthetic fibre ; Piece goods wholly or partly of silk or synthetic fibre ; Wearing apparel including footwear and headwear ; Handkerchiefs ; Articles of household drapery of cotton, silk or synthetic fibre ; Waterproof sheeting ; Oil baize and oil cloth other than linoleum ; Window blinds, and awnings (dated 14th October, 1942).

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 417, 477, 506, 507, 508, 521, 522.

Entertainments Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 421.

Judiciary Act—Rule of Court—Dated 13th October, 1942.

## Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired—

## For Commonwealth purposes at—

Archerfield, Queensland.  
 Bairnsdale, Victoria.  
 Berowra, New South Wales.  
 Broadmeadows, Victoria.  
 Cowra, New South Wales.  
 Daylesford, Victoria.  
 East Maitland, New South Wales.  
 Essendon, Victoria (2).  
 Gayndah, Queensland.  
 Greta, New South Wales (2).  
 Helidon, Queensland.  
 Laverton, Victoria.  
 Leongatha, Victoria.  
 Lidcombe, New South Wales.  
 Lindenow, Victoria.  
 Lorn, New South Wales.  
 Merredin, Western Australia.  
 Midland Junction, Western Australia.  
 Mile End, South Australia.  
 Mitcham, Victoria.  
 Newport, Victoria.  
 Northfield, South Australia.  
 Nowra, New South Wales.  
 Parkes, New South Wales.  
 Preston Point, Fremantle, Western Australia.  
 South Fremantle, Western Australia.  
 St. Mary's, New South Wales.  
 West Maitland, New South Wales.  
 Windsor, New South Wales.  
 Wollongong, New South Wales.  
 Wolseley, South Australia.

## For Defence purposes at—

Fairfield, Victoria.  
 Rhodes, New South Wales.

## National Security Act—

National Security (Army Inventions) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and Designs (3).  
 National Security (Cash Order and Hire Purchase Agreements) Regulations—Order—  
 Maximum hiring period.  
 National Security (Economic Organization) Regulations—Order—Share prices.  
 National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations—Orders—Military powers during  
 emergency (3).  
 National Security (Emergency Supplies) Regulations—Rules—Queensland (4), Victoria.  
 National Security (General) Regulations—  
 Orders—  
 Bread Control (South Australia).  
 Control of—  
 Canned Pineapples and Pineapple juice.  
 Clothing (Feminine underwear), (Knitted underwear) (2), (Knitted underwear),  
 (Male underwear), (Shirts, collars and pyjamas), and (Women's, maids'  
 and children's hosiery).  
 Highways.  
 Pineapples.  
 Production and distribution of Footwear.  
 Second-hand Jute goods.  
 Tinplate.  
 Wholesale Cream Distribution (Victoria).  
 Ice Industry (New South Wales).  
 Machine Tools Requisitioning.  
 Navigation (Aquatic racing on Sydney Harbour), (Brisbane River and Moreton  
 Bay—Small craft), (Small craft).  
 Prohibited Places (5).  
 Prohibiting work on land (12).  
 Prohibition of Non-Essential Production.  
 Restriction of Cherry packing.  
 Restriction of Employment in Retail Shops (Adelaide).  
 Taking possession of land, &c. (1,005).  
 Use of land (45).  
 Orders by State Premiers—Queensland (8), South Australia, Tasmania (6), Victoria (2),  
 Western Australia (2).  
 National Security (Internment Camps) Regulations—Order—Internment Camp.  
 National Security (Landlord and Tenant) Regulations—Rules—Australian Capital  
 Territory.  
 National Security (Land Transport) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 7-10, South Australia  
 Nos. 5-9, Western Australia No. 4.

- National Security (Liquid Fuel) Regulations—Order—Liquid Fuel (Alternative Fuels).  
 National Security (Man Power) Regulations—Orders—Protected undertakings (171).  
 National Security (Munitions) Regulations—Order—Railway locomotives, rolling-stock, plant and equipment.  
 National Security (Potatoes) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 8-9.  
 National Security (Prices) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 769, 791-869, 871-875.  
 National Security (Prisoners of War) Regulations—Orders—  
     Prisoners of War Camp (2).  
     Prisoners of War Correspondence.  
     Prisoners of War (Pay Arrangements).  
 National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—  
     Orders—  
         Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank.  
         Provision of first aid facilities.  
     Orders by State Premiers—Queensland (2), South Australia, Tasmania (2), Western Australia.  
 National Security (War Damage to Property) Regulations—Order—Public Authority.  
 Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 413, 418, 419, 420, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 480, 481, 482, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 510, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519.  
 Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 414, 509.  
 Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 511.  
 Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 483.  
 Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 439, 504.  
 Rabbit Skins Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 432.  
 Sales Tax Assessment Acts (Nos. 1 to 9)—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 478.  
 Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—  
     Ordinances of 1942—  
         No. 18—Cemeteries.  
         No. 19—Liquor.  
     Regulations of 1942—  
         No. 11 (Building and Services Ordinance).  
         No. 12 (Motor Traffic Ordinance).  
 Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Australian Capital Territory for year 1941-42.  
 War Service Homes Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 463.  
 War-time (Company) Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 460, 461.

10. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.

11. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS—REVIEW OF THE WAR SITUATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator Keane), by leave, made a Statement on the subject of International Affairs and the progress of the war, and laid on the Table the following Paper, viz. :—  
 By Command—

International Affairs—Review of the War Situation, 10th December, 1942—Ministerial Statement—

and moved—That the Paper be printed.

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till the next day of sitting, and that Senator Amour have leave to continue his speech on the resumption of the debate.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Senate adjourned at twenty-nine minutes past ten p.m. till to-morrow at eleven a.m.

13. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Collings, James McLachlan and Wilson.

JOHN EDWARDS,

*Clerk of the Senate.*