

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 17.

JOURNALS OF THE SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH MAY, 1950.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at three p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The President (Senator the Honorable Gordon Brown) took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS.

3. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—The President informed the Senate that Lord Macdonald of Gwaenysgor, a Member of the House of Lords and Paymaster-General in the Government of the United Kingdom, was in the precincts of the Senate, and he proposed, with the concurrence of honorable Senators, to invite him to take a seat in the Chamber. And Senators concurring, the distinguished visitor was admitted and took a seat on the floor of the Senate.

4. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.

5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by Command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Nauru—Report to General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of Nauru for year 1948-49.

New Guinea—Report to General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of New Guinea for year 1948-49.

Papua—Report for year 1948-49.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1950—

No. 9—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.

No. 10—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

No. 11—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.

No. 12—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

No. 13—Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia, and Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.

No. 14—Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia.

No. 15—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia, and others.

No. 16—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.

No. 17—Vehicle Builders Employees' Federation of Australia, and Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemmen.

No. 18—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

No. 19—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association.

No. 20—Australian Workers' Union, and others.

No. 21—Association of Railway Professional Officers of Australia.

No. 22—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

No. 23—Australian Workers' Union.

Bankruptcy Act—Twenty-first Annual Report by Attorney-General, for year ended 31st July, 1949.

Commonwealth Bank Act—Appointment—R. G. Reeves.

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

Commerce and Agriculture—K. O. D. Davis.

Defence—R. B. Dodman.

Repatriation—R. S. Kennedy, N. P. G. Little.

Social Services—B. P. Bate, S. B. Benson, M. H. Ramsay.

Works and Housing—D. G. Campbell, A. N. Duff-Gordon, C. T. Eeles, H. Foskett, H. L. Jones, R. E. Robb, L. L. Simon.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1950, No. 21.

Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—

National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (5).

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1950, No. 20.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—
 Defence purposes—Richmond, New South Wales.
 Postal purposes—
 Emerald Hill, New South Wales.
 Goondiwindi, Queensland.
 Haymarket (Sydney), New South Wales.
 Mount Barker, South Australia.
 Sandigo, New South Wales.

Wheat Industry Stabilization Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1950, No. 19.

6. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL 1950.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

Message No. 3.

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to repeal the 'Banking Act 1947-1948' and to amend the 'Commonwealth Bank Act 1945-1948'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

ARCHIE G. CAMERON,

Speaker.

House of Representatives,
 Canberra, 4th May, 1950.

Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Minister for Social Services (Senator Spooner) the Bill was read a first time.

Senator Spooner moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

7. NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till to-morrow at eleven a.m.

Question—put and passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Senate adjourned at eleven p.m. till to-morrow at eleven a.m.

9. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Arnold, Collings, Gorton, Hendrickson, Mattner, O'Byrne, Sandford, Simmonds and Wedgwood.

JOHN EDWARDS,

Clerk of the Senate.