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New South Wales.

No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-THIRD PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 28 MAY, 1941.

1. OPENING OF PARLIAMENT:—The House met at Twelve o'clock at Noon, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-first day of May, 1941, of which a copy was read by William Rupert McCourt, Esquire, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:—

"NEW SOUTH WALES, To WIT.

"WAKEHURST, Governor.

"By His Excellency the Right Honourable JOHN DE VERE, BARON WAKEHURST, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Captain in the Reserve of Officers of the Territorial Army, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, "

In pursuance of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the State of New South Wales by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being "An Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution," I do hereby proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the State of New South Wales for the despatch of business shall commence and be holden on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of May, 1941, at 2 o'clock noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers, in Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney; and Members of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, respectively, are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

"Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this twenty-first day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-one, in the fifth year of His Majesty's Reign."

"By His Excellency's Command, "

"W. J. MCKELL.

"GOD SAVE THE KING!"

2. WRITS OF ELECTION:—The Clerk announced that he had received, through the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, a correct list, without any omission, certified by His Excellency the Governor, of the names of the several persons returned for the Electoral Districts set against such names respectively, at the General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, which was held on the 10th day of May, 1941, and further certifying that the several Writs of Election, being ninety in number, were duly returned before the day on which they were legally returnable:—

Arthur, Joshua George ... ... ... Hamilton.
Beddgel, John Marcus ... ... ... Cessnock.
Bate, Henry Jefferson Percival ... ... ... Wollondilly.
Beale, Rupert Noel ... ... ... South Coast.
Booth, George ... ... ... ... Kurri Kurri.
Brunner, Michael Frederick ... ... ... Tenterfield.
Budd, Arthur James ... ... ... Byron.
Burke, Francis Michael ... ... ... Newtown.
Cahill, Frederick Joseph ... ... ... Young.

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28th May, 1941.

Names of Members returned. Electoral Districts for which returned.

Tonge, Arthur ... Canterbury.
Treatt, Vernon Haddon ... Woolalara.
Tully, John Moran ... Goulburn.
Turner, Henry Basil ... Gordon.
Vincent, Roy Stanley ... Raleigh.
Weaver, Reginald Walter Darcy ... Neutral Bay.
Weir, George ... Dubbo.
Williams, Arthur John Leonard ... George's River.
Wilson, Geo. Alan Lachlan ... Dubbo.
Wingfield, Cecil Gordon ... Clarence.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:—The Usher of the Black Rod being admitted delivered a Message that, "The Commissioners request the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the Legislative Council Chamber, to hear the Commission for opening of Parliament read." The House went, and the Members of both Houses being seated at the request of the Deputy-President, on behalf of the Commissioners,—

The Deputy-President said,—

"Honourable Members of the Legislative Council, and Members of the Legislative Assembly,—His Excellency the Governor, not deeming it fit to be personally present here this day, has been pleased to cause a Commission to be issued, under the Public Seal of the State, constituting us Commissioners to do on behalf of His Majesty, all things necessary to be done in the name of His Majesty, or in the name of His Excellency the Governor of the State in and about the opening and holding of this Parliament, to deliver a Message to the Legislative Assembly, and to do all such other things as may be specially necessary to enable Parliament to perform acts which admit of no delay, as will more fully appear by the Commission itself, which must now be read." Whereupon the Commission was read by the Clerk of the Parliaments, as follows:—

"George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the "British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor "of India.

"To all to whom these presents shall come,—

"Greetings:

"WHEREAS by Proclamation made on the twenty-first day of May, 1941, His "Excellency, the Right Honourable JOHN DE VERE, BARON WAFFURST, Knight "Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Captain in the Reserve of Officers of Our Territorial Army, Our "Governor of Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the "Commonwealth of Australia, did, in pursuance of the power and authority "vested in him as Governor of Our said State, by virtue of an Act passed in the "second year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being an "Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the constitution, proclaim that a Session "of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the said State should "commence and be holden on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of May, 1941, at "the time and place mentioned in the said Proclamation: AND WHEREAS, for certain "causes Our said Governor cannot conveniently be present in person at the "opening of the said Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly "of Our said State: NOW KNOW YE, that WE, trusting in the discretion, fidelity "and care of Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable SIR JOHN BEVERLEY "PEDEN, President of the said Legislative Council, the Honourable ROBERT "THOMAS DOWNING, Minister of Justice and Vice-President of Our Executive "Council of Our said State, and the Honourable ERNEST HENRY FARRAR, "Chairman of Committees, Members of the said Legislative Council, do, with "the advice of Our Executive Council of Our said State, give and grant by the "tenor of these presents unto the said SIR JOHN BEVERLEY PEDEN, ROBERT "THOMAS DOWNING, and ERNEST HENRY FARRAR, or any two of them, full power "in Our name to open and hold the said Session of the said Legislative Council "and Legislative Assembly on the said twenty-eighth day of May or subsequent "day, on Our behalf to do all things necessary to be done in Our Name, or in "the name of Our Governor of Our said State, in and about the opening and "holding of the said Parliament, to deliver Messages to the Legislative Council "and to the Legislative Assembly, and to do all such things as may be specially "necessary to enable Parliament or the said Legislative Council or the said "Legislative Assembly to perform acts which admit of no delay: Commanding "also by the tenor of these presents all whom it concerns to meet in the said "Parliament, that to the said SIR JOHN BEVERLEY PEDEN, ROBERT THOMAS "DOWNING and ERNEST HENRY FARRAR, or any two of them, they diligently "attend in the premises in the form aforesaid.
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28th May, 1941.

"In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made "Patent and the Great Seal of Our said State to be hereunto affixed.

"Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved the Right Honourable JOHN DE "Vere, BARON WAKEHURST, Knight Commander of Our Most "Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Captain in "the Reserve of Officers of Our Territorial Army, Our Governor of "Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the "Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in Our said State, this "twenty-fourth day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand "nine hundred and forty-one, and in the fifth year of Our Reign.

"WAKEHURST.

"Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"W. J. McKELL."

The Deputy-President then said,—

"Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,—

"We have it in command from the Governor to let you know that, it "being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, it is "His Excellency's pleasure that you, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, "repair to your Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, "proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker."

And the House having returned,—

4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE:—The Clerk informed the House that he had received, through the office of the Premier, the following Commission:—

"By His Excellency the Right Honourable JOAN "DE VERE, BARON WAKEHURST, "Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael "and Saint George, Captain in the Reserve of Officers of the Territorial "Army, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, "in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"To all to whom these presents shall come,—

"Greeting:

"In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Captain the Right "Honourable Lord WAKEHURST, as Governor of the State of New South Wales, "do, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorize the "Honourable William John McKell, Premier and Colonial Treasurer, the "Honourable John Marcus Baddeley, Deputy-Premier, Colonial Secretary and "Secretary for Mines, and the Honourable Robert James Heffron, Minister for "National Emergency Services, or any one or more of them, to administer to "all or any Members or Member of the said Legislative Assembly the Oath or "Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the King, required by Law to be "taken or made and subscribed by every such Member before he shall be "permitted to sit or vote in the said Legislative Assembly.

"Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the State, at Sydney, in the "State of New South Wales aforesaid, this twenty-fourth day of May, "in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-one, "and in the fifth year of His Majesty's Reign.

"WAKEHURST.

"Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"W. J. McKELL."

5. MINISTERS SWORN.—The Honourable William John McKell took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance himself, and administered the same to the two other Commissioners, the Honourable John Marcus Baddeley and the Honourable Robert James Heffron, and then the Commissioners respectively signed the Roll of the House, and administered the Oath to all the other Members present—

Joshua George Arthur, Esquire.  
Rupert Noel Beale, Esquire.  
George Booth, Esquire.  
Lieut.-Colonel the Honourable Michael Frederick Bruen, D.S.O.  
Arthur James Budd, Esquire.  
Francis Michael Burke, Esquire.  
Frederick Joseph Cahill, Esquire.  
The Honourable John Joseph Cahill.  
Robert Cameron, Esquire.  
William Joseph Carlton, Esquire.  
William Adolphus Chaifey, Esquire.
6. ELECTION OF SPEAKER.—Mr. Frank Burke, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), moved, That Daniel Clyne, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,—which motion was seconded by Mr. Shannon.

And Mr. Clyne, standing in his place, informed the House that he accepted nomination.

Question,—That Daniel Clyne, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,—put by the Clerk and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Frank Burke and Mr. Shannon conducted Mr. Clyne to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his acknowledgments to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him,—

And thereupon sat down in the Chair.

Mr. McKell, Mr. Mair, Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. O'Sullivan, Major Shand and Mr. Jackson congratulated Mr. Speaker.

Mr. McKell then informed the House that he had ascertained that His Excellency would receive their Speaker at Government House at Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twenty minutes before Two o'clock, p.m., until Ten minutes before Three o'clock, p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

7. MEMBERS SWEAR.—The Honourable John Mornin Telly, having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, before the Honourable William John McKell, a Commissioner, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Goulburn.
8. PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER:—The House then proceeded to Government House to present their Speaker to His Excellency the Governor,—

And having returned,—Mr. Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House, where he informed the Governor that, immediately after the opening of Parliament to-day, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted right, had proceeded to the election of their Speaker, that the choice had fallen upon him, and that he had now to present himself to His Excellency as their Speaker,—whereupon His Excellency was pleased to offer him his congratulations. That he had then, in the name and on behalf of the House, laid claim to all their undoubted rights and privileges, particularly to freedom of speech in debate, to free access to His Excellency when occasion should require, and that the most favourable construction should, on all occasions, be put upon their language and proceedings; to all which His Excellency had readily assented.

Mr. Speaker then expressed his appreciation for the honour the House had been pleased to confer upon him.

9. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—NEW ADMINISTRATION:—Mr. McNeill informed the House that, following upon the resignation of the Honourable Alexander Mair as Premier and a Member of the Executive Council, which action involved the resignation of the whole of his colleagues, His Excellency the Governor had commissioned him to form a Government.

The following gentlemen had been sworn in and appointed by His Excellency as Members of the Executive Council and to the offices mentioned:—

- The Honourable John Marcus Baddeley, M.LA., Deputy-Premier, Colonial Secretary and Secretary for Mines.
- The Honourable William Fraser Dunn, M.L.A., Minister for Agriculture and Forests.
- The Honourable Hamilton Knight, M.L.A., Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Services.
- The Honourable Robert Reginald Downing, M.L.C., Minister of Justice and Vice-President of the Executive Council.
- The Honourable John Joseph Cahill, M.L.A., Secretary for Public Works.
- The Honourable Christopher Augustus Kelly, M.L.A., Minister for Health.
- The Honourable James McGirr, M.L.A., Minister for Local Government and Housing.
- The Honourable Maurice O'Sullivan, M.L.A., Minister for Transport.
- The Honourable Carlo Camillo Lazzarini, M.L.A., Assistant Minister.
- The Honourable William Edward Dickson, M.L.C., Assistant Minister.

10. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION:—Mr. Mair informed the House of his appointment as Leader of the Opposition from the nineteenth day of May, 1941.

11. LEADER OF THE COUNTRY PARTY:—Lieut.-Colonel Briscoe informed the House of his appointment as Leader of the Country Party and the appointment of the Honourable David Henry Drummond as Deputy-Leader.

12. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:—

(1.) Mr. Carlton moved (by consent) without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to John Thomas Sweeney, Esquire, Member for Bulli, on account of illness.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Howarth moved (by consent) without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Evan Murray Robson, Esquire, Member for Wauchope, on account of absence from the State on Military Service with the Australian Imperial Force.

Question put and passed.
Mr. Howarth moved (by consent) without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Henry Basil Turner, Esquire, Member for Gordon, on account of absence from the State on Military Service with the Australian Imperial Force.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Howarth moved (by consent) without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Henry Jefferson Percival Bate, Esquire, Member for Wollondilly, on account of absence from the State on Military Service with the Australian Imperial Force.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Howarth moved (by consent) without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Vernon Haddon Trott, Esquire, Member for Woolloomooloo, on account of urgent business.

Question put and passed.

13. ASSENT TO BILLS.—Mr. Speaker reported that since the last meeting of Parliament Messages from His Excellency the Governor, assenting to the following Bills, had been received:

(1.) National Emergency (Stocks of Goods) Bill:

WAREHURST,  
Governor.

A Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Governor to authorise the execution by or on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer of certain agreements for purposes connected with the ensuring of the provision of emergency stocks of certain goods, to empower the Governor to exempt certain instruments from stamp duty; to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,  
Sydney, 9th April, 1941.

(2.) Maritime Services (Amendment) Bill:

WAREHURST,  
Governor.

A Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Maritime Services Act, 1935, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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(3.) Water Supply to Hospitals Bill:

WAREHURST,  
Governor.

A Bill intituled "An Act to provide for a supply of water free of charge to public hospitals; for this and other purposes to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1937, the Hunter District Water Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938, the Broken Hill Water and Sewerage Act, 1936, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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Sydney, 9th April, 1941.
(4.) Greenethorpe Soldiers' Memorial Hall Bill:—  

**WAKEHURST,**  
Governor.  

A Bill intitled "An Act to declare the trusts upon which certain land situated at Greenethorpe is held; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.  

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Sydney, 9th April, 1941.

(5.) Farms Purchase Promotion Bill:—  

**WAKEHURST,**  
Governor.  

A Bill intituled "An Act to provide further facilities for the purchase of farms; to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1938, the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1940, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.  

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(6.) Small Loans Facilities Bill:—  

**WAKEHURST,**  
Governor.  

A Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the formation of small loan societies under the Co-operation Act, 1923-1938; to amend the said Act in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.  

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(7.) Rural Bank (Agency) Soldiers Families Housing Bill:—  

**WAKEHURST,**  
Governor.  

A Bill, intituled "A n Act to make provision for the housing of the families of the Naval, Military and Air Forces; for this purpose to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.  

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Sydney, 9th April, 1941.

(8.) Fire Brigades (Amendment) Bill:—  

**WAKEHURST,**  
Governor.  

A Bill, intituled "An Act to extend the application of the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1927, to certain ports and navigable waters; to amend the said Act in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.  

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Sydney, 9th April, 1941.
(9.) Coal Mines Regulation (Amendment) Bill:

Wakehurst,

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provisions for the management and regulation of mines of coal and mines of shale; to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912-1931, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 9th April, 1941.

(10.) Auctioneers, Stock and Station and Real Estate Agents Bill:

Wakehurst,

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the licensing of auctioneers, stock and station agents and real estate agents, and for the regulation of their operations; to make provision for the constitution of a council of the auctioneers, stock and station agents and real estate agents; to make provision for the control and regulation of real estate dealers and real estate salesmen; to repeal the Auctioneers’ Licensing Act, 1935, and certain other Acts; to amend the Business Agents Act, 1935, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

(11.) Architects (Amendment) Bill:

Wakehurst,

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Architects Act, 1921, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

(12.) Ring’s Cross Tunnel Bill:

Wakehurst,

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a by-pass roadway from the intersection of Forbes-street and Cathedral-street, in the City of Sydney, to the intersection of New South Head road and Reddigery-street, in the Municipalities of Paddington and Woollahra, and for the reggrading of part of New South Head road; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

(13.) Police Reserve Bill:

Wakehurst,

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of police reservists; to amend the Police Regulation Act, 1909-1915, the Police Offences Act, 1909-1930, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly.
having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

(14.) Motor Spirit and Substitute Liquid Fuels Bill:—

Wakehurst, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the regulation of the sale of motor spirit and substitute liquid fuels; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

(15.) Local Government (Amendment) Bill:—

Wakehurst, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

(16.) Navigation (Amendment) Bill:—

Wakehurst, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1935, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 10th April, 1941.

14. Pro Forma Bill.—Law of Evidence Bill:—Mr. McNeill presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence," and moved, pro forma. That this Bill be now read a first time. Question put and passed. Bill read a first time.

15. Message from the Commissioners:—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Commissioners in the Legislative Council Chamber, where a Commission for opening Parliament was read, and a Message to the Assembly delivered, which Message he read to the House as follows:

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,—

We have it in command from the Governor to let you know that, it being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure that you, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your own Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker.

16. Chairman of Committees:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. McNeill moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider a motion for the appointment of a Chairman of Committees of the Whole House. Question put and passed.
17. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. McKell moved, That this House do now adjourn until Wednesday next, 4th June, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at Ten minutes after Four o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday next, 4th June, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

W. R. McCOURT, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

D. CLYNE, Speaker.
PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency the Right Honourable John de Vere, Baron Wakehurst, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Captain in the Reserve of Officers of the Territorial Army, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales now stand adjourned to Wednesday, the fourth day of June, 1941, Now I, Captain the Right Honourable Lord Wakehurst, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested as Governor of the said State, do hereby prorogue the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly to Wednesday, the second day of July, 1941.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one, and in the fifth year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. J. McKELL.

GOD SAVE THE KING!
BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES DURING THE SESSION 1941.

1. Writs issued:—
   On Public Matters:—
   On Private Matters:—
   On Public Bills:—
   On Private Bills:—

2. Select Committees:—
   On Public Matters:—
   On Private Matters:—
   On Private Bills:—
   On Public Bills:—

3. Standing Committees:—
   Originated in the Assembly:—
   Received the Royal Assent:—
   Otherwise disposed of:—

4. Public Bills:—
   Originated in the Assembly:—
   Received the Royal Assent:—
   Otherwise disposed of:—

5. Private Bills:—
   Originated in the Assembly:—
   Received the Royal Assent:—
   Otherwise disposed of:—

6. Petitions received:—
   Printed:—
   Not Printed:—

7. Divisions:—
   In the House:—
   In Committee of the Whole:—

8. Sittings (for details see page 2):—
   Days of Meeting:—
   Hours of Sitting:—
   Hours of Sitting after Midnight:—
   Daily Average:—
   Adjourned for want of a Quorum:—
   Before commencement of Business:—
   After commencement of Business:—

9. Votes and Proceedings:—
   Entries in Votes and Proceedings:—
      Of Business done:—
      Daily Average:—
   Entries in Question Paper:—
      Of Questions:—
      Daily Average:—
   Entries in Notice Paper:—
      Of Notices of Motions:—
      Of Orders of the Day:—
      Daily Average:—

10. Contingent Notice Papers:—
11. Orders for Papers:—
12. Addresses for Papers:—
13. Other Addresses:—
14. Papers laid upon the Table:—
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   By Command:—
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   Reports from Select Committees:—
   Other Papers:—
   Ordered to be Printed:—
   Not ordered to be Printed:—
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16. Sitting of the House:—

Return of the day on which the House sat in the Session of 1911, stating the date of the month and the day of the week, the hour of the meeting and the hour of adjournment, and the total number of hours occupied in the sitting of the House, and the number of entries in the day's Votes and Proceedings:—

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Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 2nd June, 1941.

W. R. McCOURT,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
### Register of Public Bills Originated in the Assembly During the Session of 1941

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### Recapitulation

- Number of Public Bills originated in the Legislative Assembly shown in Register No. 1:
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- Passed and assented to:
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- Reserved for Royal Assent:
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- Private Bill not returned by Legislative Council:
  - Private = 1

- Private Bill stopped by Prorogation:
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