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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 81.

THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1945.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. DEMOBILIZATION OF DEFENCE FORCES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the further steps decided upon by the Government to accelerate the demobilization of members of the armed forces.
3. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1945-46.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Remainder of Vote—"Parliament, £219,500"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Prime Minister's Department, £1,286,300"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Department of External Affairs, £260,500"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Department of the Treasury, £2,362,000"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Attorney-General's Department, £403,000"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Department of the Interior, £549,300"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Department of Works and Housing, £175,000"—debated and agreed to.
Vote—"Department of Civil Aviation, £717,000"—debated—
Mr. Cameron moved, as an amendment, That the amount be reduced by £1.
Debate continued.
Amendment negatived.
Vote agreed to.
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.
Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eighteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Blain*, Mr. Brennan*, Mr. Evatt*, Mr. Haylen*, Mr. Lawson*, Mr. Mulcahy*, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Scully*, Mr. Sheehy, Mr. Spender, Mr. White*, and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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