THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 94.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1949.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Defence—J. A. Macdonald.
 Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—Stuart, Queensland.
- 3. Public Works Committee—Reference of Work—National Library and Roosevelt Memorial, Canberra.—Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913–1947, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report, namely:—The erection of the National Library and Roosevelt Memorial, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory.

Mr. Lemmon having laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work—Question—put and passed.

4. Supply Bill (No. 1) 1949-50.—On the calling on of the Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—

Declaration of Bill as Urgent Bill.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) declared that the Bill was an Urgent Bill. Question—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill—put.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 35.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mrs. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chambers Mr. Chifley Mr. Daly Mr. Dedman Mr. Drakeford Mr. Duthie Mr. Edmonds Mr. Evatt Mr. Falstein Mr. Hadley Mr. Haylen	Mr. Lang Mr. Langtry Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lemmon Mr. McLeod Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehy Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Williams Tellers:	Mr. Beale Mr. Bowden Mr. Cameron Mr. Fadden Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Gullett Mr. Hamilton Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Howse Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson	Dame Enid Lyons Mr. McBride Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies Mr. Rankin Mr. Ryan Mr. Spender Mr. Turnbull Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Corser Mr. McDonald
Mr. Holloway Mr. Johnson	Mr. Fuller Mr. Sheehan		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. F.4574.

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Allotment of Time.—Mr. Chifley then moved, That the time allotted in connexion with the Bill be as
   follows:
        (1) For the remainder of the Committee stage-
              (a) Schedule-
                      Department of External Territories
                                                                             until 12.45 p.m. this day.
                      Department of Immigration
                                                                             until 3.15 p.m. this day.
                      Department of Labour and National Service
                      Department of Transport
Department of Information
                                                                             until 4 p.m. this day.
                      Department of Post-war Reconstruction
                      Defence and Post-war (1939-45) Charges
                                                                             until 6 p.m. this day.
                      Miscellaneous Services...
                      War (1914-18) Services
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                      Commonwealth Railways
                                                                            until 9.30 p.m. this day.
                      Postmaster-General's Department
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                      Northern Territory
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                      Australian Capital Territory
                      Papua-New Guinea
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                      Norfolk Island
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                                                                            until 10.15 p.m. this day.
                     Refunds of Revenue ...
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                      Advance to the Treasurer
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              (b) Title and Report
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       (2) For the remaining stages
                                                                            until 10.30 p.m. this day.
Debate ensued.
The time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B for the discussion of the motion having expired—
Question—put.
The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)-
                        Ayes, 35.
                                                                             Noes, 24.
   Mr. Barnard
                            Mr. Johnson
Mr. Langtry
                                                        Mr. Beale
                                                                                Dame Enid Lyons
   Mr. Beazley
                                                        Mr. Bowden
                                                                                 Mr. McBride
   Mrs. Blackburn
Mr. Brennan
Mr. Burke
                            Mr. Lazzarini
                                                        Mr. Cameron
                                                                                Mr. McEwen
                            Mr. Lemmon
Mr. McLeod
                                                        Mr. Fadden
                                                                                Mr. Menzies
                                                                                Mr. Rankin
Mr. Ryan
                                                        Mr. Falkinder
                                                        Mr. Francis
   Mr. Calwell
                            Mr. O'Connor
   Mr. Chambers
Mr. Chifley
                            Mr. Pollard
Mr. Riordan
                                                        Mr. Gullett
                                                                                Mr. Spender
                                                        Mr. Hamilton
                                                                                Mr. Turnbull
   Mr. Daly
                            Mr. Scully
                                                        Mr. Harrison
                                                                                 Mr. White
   Mr. Dedman
                            Mr. Sheehy
                                                        Mr. Holt
                            Mr. Thompson
Mr. Ward
   Mr. Drakeford
Mr. Duthie
                                                                                    Tellers:
                                                        Mr. Howse
                                                        Mr. Hughes
                                                                                 Mr. Corser
                            Mr. Watkins
   Mr. Edmonds
                                                       Mr. Hutchinson
                                                                                Mr. McDonald
   Mr. Evatt
Mr. Falstein
                            Mr. Williams
   Mr. Fraser
                                Tellers:
   Mr. Hadley
Mr. Haylen
                            Mr. Fuller
   Mr. Holloway
                            Mr. Sheehan
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
                                        (In the Committee.)
Schedule-
"Department of External Territories, £24,130"—debated.
Limitation of Debate.—At fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., the Deputy Chairman (Mr. Burke) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Vote had
  expired-
Question—That the Vote be agreed to—put and passed. "Department of Immigration, £107,460"—debated.
Limitation of Debate.—At fifteen minutes past three o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman
  (Mr. Lazzarini) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the
  Vote had expired-
Question—That the Vote be agreed to—put and passed.
  Department of Labour and National Service, £456,720 "-
"Department of Transport, £54,510"-
"Department of Information, £119,810"-
  considered together.
Votes debated and agreed to.
"Department of Post-war Reconstruction, £242,000"-
"Defence and Post-war (1939-45) Charges-
    Defence and Service Departments, £13,339,000,
    Supply and Development, £2,614,000,
    Re-establishment and Repatriation, £10,152,000,
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International Relief and Rehabilitation, £200,000,

Subsidies, £5,500,000, Miscellaneous, £195,000 ''- "Miscellaneous Services, £1,550,240"-" War (1914-18) Services, £378,820"considered together.

Votes debated.

Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction) addressing the Committee-

Mr. Beale moved, That the honorable Member be not further heard.

Closure of Member moved-

Question—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Lazzarini, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 33.	
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Beale	Dame Enid Lyons	Mr. Beazley	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. McBride	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Langtry
Mr. Cameron	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Burke	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Calwell	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Francis	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Chifley	Mr. Russell
Mr. Gullett	Mr. White	Mr. Clark	Mr. Scully
Mr. Hamilton		Mr. Daly	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Harrison	11	Mr. Dedman	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Holt	Tellers:	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
Mr. Howse	Mr. Corser	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hughes	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Evatt	
		Mr. Falstein	Tellers:
		Mr. Fraser	1 elleta:
•		Mr. Hadley	Mr. Fuller
•		Mr. Havlen	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was negatived.

Limitation of Debate.—At six o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Lazzarini) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired-

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed. "Commonwealth Railways, £637,000"—

Votes debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At half-past nine o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Lazzarini) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired-Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.

Northern Territory, £398,000"— Australian Capital Territory, £305,000"—

"Papua-New Guinea, £1,043,000"-

"Norfolk Island, £1,000"

"Refunds of Revenue, £4,000,000"-

"Advance to the Treasurer, £9,000,000"considered together.

Votes debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At fifteen minutes past ten o'clock p.m., the Deputy Chairman (Mr. Burke) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the remainder of the Committee stage of the Bill had expired-

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.
Further question—That the Title be the Title of the Bill, and that the Bill be reported without amendment—put and passed.

The House resumed; Mr. Burke reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

5. Supply (Works and Services) Bill (No. 1) 1949-50.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time-Debate resumed.

Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

-That the debate be now adjourned-put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

6. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Abbott, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Conelan, Mr. Gaha, Mr. James, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mulcahy, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rosevear and Mr. Scullin.

> A. A. TREGEAR, Clerk-Assistant, House of Representatives.

[&]quot;Postmaster-General's Department, £12,678,000" considered together.