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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 113.

FRIDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 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. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—LEAVE TO MAKE NOT GRANTED.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence) asked leave to make a Ministerial Statement. Objection being raised, leave not granted.
3. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Lang rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The need to call to the Bar of this House the Governor of the Commonwealth Bank for examination regarding the international monetary position, with particular reference to the dollar crisis, Australia's international reserves, the price of gold, and international exchange problems generally."
Mr. Deputy Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—Mr. Lang moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes to one o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bowden, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hughes, Mr. James, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McBride, Mr. McEwen, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Russell, Mr. Scullin and Mr. Sheehy.

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