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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 119.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH 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. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) 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 invasions of freedom of speech, choice, listening, and business enterprise which result from the Political Broadcasts (Federal Elections) Order made by the Australian Broadcasting Control Board under the *Australian Broadcasting Act 1942-1948* and tabled in this House yesterday".

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. Menzies moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That Mr. Fadden be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Several members rising to address the House—

Closure.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the question be now put.

Question.—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lemmon
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Chambers	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Daly	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Russell
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Ward
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gaha	Mr. Williams
Mr. Hadley	
Mr. Haylen	
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Johnson	Mr. Fuller
Mr. Langtry	Mr. Sheehan

Noes, 24.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. McBride
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Beale	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Cameron	Sir Earle Page
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Spender
Mr. Francis	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. White
Mr. Harrison	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Corser
Mr. Lang	Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—
The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 34.	
Mr. Adermann	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Beale	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Calwell	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Chifley	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Spender	Mr. Daly	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Dedman	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Francis	Mr. White	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Russell
Mr. Hamilton		Mr. Duthie	Mr. Scully
Mr. Harrison		Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Corser	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Ward
Mr. McBride	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Gaha	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Hadley	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Haylen	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Holloway	Mr. Fuller
		Mr. Johnson	Mr. Sheehan
		Mr. Langtry	

And so it was negatived.

3. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the intervening business be postponed until after Notice of Motion No. 1, Government Business.
4. SCHOOL AT ALICE SPRINGS—APPROVAL OF WORK.—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*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the results of its investigations, namely:—Construction of a new school at Alice Springs.
Question—put and passed.
5. SUPPLY—BUDGET DEBATE.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

General debate resumed on the question, That the first item in the Estimates, under Division No. 1.—Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances £12,400

be agreed to.

Mr. Spender moved, That Mr. Hutchinson be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Sheehy, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 36.	
Mr. Adermann	Mr. McBride	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Beazley	Mr. Langtry
Mr. Beale	Mr. Menzies	Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Cameron	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Chambers	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Spender	Mr. Chifley	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Clark	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Francis	Mr. White	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Hamilton		Mr. Daly	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Dedman	Mr. Russell
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Corser	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Ward
		Mr. Evatt	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Fraser	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Gaha	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Hadley	Mr. Fuller
		Mr. Haylen	Mr. Sheehan
		Mr. Holloway	

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That Mr. Cameron be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

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The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Hadley, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 24.		Noes, 35.	
Mr. Adermann	Mr. McBride	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Beale	Mr. Menzies	Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Cameron	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Chambers	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Chifley	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Spender	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Francis	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Russell
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. White	Mr. Daly	Mr. Scully
Mr. Harrison		Mr. Dedman	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Holt	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Corser	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Fraser	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Gaha	
		Mr. Haylen	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Holloway	Mr. Fuller
		Mr. Johnson	Mr. Sheehan
		Mr. Langtry	

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Sheehy reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes to 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. Bowden, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Burke, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Howse, Mr. James, Mr. Lazzarini, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. Rosevear and Mr. Scullin.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.