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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 122.

TUESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1949.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT SITTING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.  
Question—put and passed.

3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Sixteenth Report, 1949.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Postmaster-General's Department—  
G. H. Adams, S. R. Bickerdike, E. G. C. Boraston, K. F. Dwyer, C. Fierman, G. Freer,  
D. Henderson, J. K. Home, J. A. Lang, G. F. Lennard, I. E. Pengelly, R. F. Purves, J. H.  
Sharpe, C. E. C. Skuse, W. Thompson.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—

Department of Civil Aviation purposes—Essendon, Victoria.

Postal purposes—Arran, Queensland.

Railway purposes—Potshot (Vlaming Head), Western Australia.

4. 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.

General debate concluded.

First item agreed to.

Remainder of Vote—"Parliament, £374,000"—debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Sheehan reported accordingly.

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

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

And then the House, at seven minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., 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. Abbott, Mr. Beale, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Burke, Mr. Calwell, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Hadley, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. James, Mr. Langtry, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mulcahy, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Sheehy, Mr. Spender, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Williams.

F. C. GREEN,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*

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