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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1950.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Social Services—E. C. Cannon.
4. FOREIGN POLICY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Spender (Minister for External Affairs), That the Paper [*presented on the 9th March, 1950*], viz. :—
Foreign Policy—Ministerial Statement, 9th March, 1950—
be printed—
Debate resumed.
Ordered—That Mr. E. James Harrison be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Ordered—That Mr. Keon be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Mr. Eggins be granted an extension of time.

Suspension of Sitting.—At six minutes to five o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Resumption of Sitting.—At eight o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Debate continued.
Ordered—That Mr. Ward be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Ordered—That Mr. Calwell be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Mr. Robertson be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Mr. Graham be granted an extension of time.
Mr. Clarcy moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—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.
5. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Speaker reported that, accompanied by honorable Members, he had waited that day upon His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House, and had presented to him the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech on the Opening of the First Session of the Nineteenth Parliament, agreed to by the House on the 16th March, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—
MR. SPEAKER,
I desire to thank you for the Address in Reply which you have just presented to me.
It will afford me much pleasure to convey to His Most Gracious Majesty The King the Message of Loyalty from the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, to which the Address gives expression.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. White (Minister for Air) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven minutes past ten 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. Beale, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Hashluck, Mr. James, Mr. Johnson, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. Swartz and Mr. B. M. Wight.

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

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