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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 55.

FRIDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1952.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Caineron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 2. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House on the principal current aspects of international affairs, including developments in Korea and in South-East Asia, the position in the Middle East, and the recent session of the United Nations General Assembly. Mr. Casey then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper—
International Affairs—Ministerial Statement, 22nd February, 1952—
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) 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.
 3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Twenty-seventh Report on the Commonwealth Public Service, for year 1950-51.
Taxation—Thirtieth Report of Commissioner, dated 31st May, 1951, together with Statistical Appendices.
Severally ordered to be printed.
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Postal purposes—Lithgow, New South Wales.
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department of Works and Housing—J. D. Hipper, K. W. McDonald.
 4. TREATY OF PEACE (JAPAN) BILL 1952.—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. Treloar 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at three minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bostock, Mr. Bruce, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Dean, Mr. Dutlie, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Keon, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McBride, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Wight.

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