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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 83.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1952.

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. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE—PRACTICE REGARDING VACANCIES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. McBride (Acting Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the practice of the Commonwealth Employment Service in bringing to the notice of applicants for employment suitable vacancies existing in the Defence Forces. Mr. Curtin, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
Civil Aviation—B. Harper, H. C. Lyford, R. M. Williams.  
Commerce and Agriculture—J. D. Byrne.
4. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, pursuant to notice, That Government Business shall take precedence over General Business to-morrow.  
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 . . . . . £13,500

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Evatt, viz. :—That the first item be reduced by £1.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Peters addressing the House—  
*Closure.*—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put.  
Question—That the question be now put—put.  
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 46.

Mr. Bate	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Beale	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Timson
Mr. Berry	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Harrison	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Lawrence
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Andrews	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Peters	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell	Mr. Fuller
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Costa	Mr. Minogue		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Davies, Mr. Downer, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Duthie, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. Kekwick, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Luchetti, Mr. McDonald, Mr. O'Connor, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Townley, Mr. Treloar and Mr. Wight.

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