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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.

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. PAPER.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Bank Act—Balance-sheets of Commonwealth Bank, Commonwealth Trading Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank as at 30th June, 1954; together with Auditor-General's reports thereon.
3. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, pursuant to notice—
(1) That the Committee of Privileges have power to send for persons, papers, and records.
(2) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
Question—put and passed.
4. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1954-55.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—"Department of Immigration, £1,296,000"—
 Vote—"Department of Labour and National Service, £1,776,000"—
 Vote—"Department of National Development, £822,000"—
 Vote—"Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, £3,800,000"—
 Vote—"Australian Atomic Energy Commission, £505,000"—

Votes further debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At fifteen minutes past ten o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired—

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.

Defence Services—

Vote—"Department of Defence, £715,000"—
 Vote—"Department of the Navy, £48,165,000"—
 Vote—"Department of the Army, £72,185,000"—
 Vote—"Department of Air, £57,406,000"—
 Vote—"Department of Supply, £14,960,000"—
 Vote—"Department of Defence Production, £6,479,000"—
 Vote—"Civil Defence, £90,000"—

considered together.

Votes debated.

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.

5. PAPERS. The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1954—No. 7 (Supply of Services Ordinance).
 Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Shipping and Transport—A. Pearson.

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6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two 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. Beale, Mr. Beazley, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Davies, Mr. Drakeford*, Mr. Fairhall, Mr. Holt, Mr. James, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Robertson and Mr. Russell.

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