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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1955.

- 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. PAPERS.-Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper :-
 - Copy of his letter, dated 19th April, addressed to the Leader of the Opposition, and the reply thereto, dated 26th April, relating to the occupancy of certain rooms in Parliament House. The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-
 - Australian Wool Bureau-First Annual Report, for year 1953-54.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-Australian National University Act-Statutes--

No. 16—Board of Graduate Studies Amendment No. 2. No. 17—Academic Dress.

- No. 18-Convocation Amendment No. 3.
- No. 19-University House (Sale of Liquor).

Coal Industry Act—Joint Coal Board— Seventh Annual Report and financial accounts, for year 1953-54.

Report of the Auditor-General of the Commonwealth on the accounts of the Joint Coal Board for year 1953-54. Judiciary Act—Rule of Court dated 23rd March, 1955. Lands Acquisition Act—Return of land disposed of under section 63.

Norfolk Island Act-Ordinances-1955-

No. 2—Boarding-houses.

No. 3-Customs.

- Public Service Act—Appointments—Department— External Affairs—C. R. Ashwin, A. D. Campbell, A. F. Dingle, K. I. Gates, I. E. Nicholson, J. A. D. Piper.

Supply-J. A. B. Cartmel, F. E. Ellis.

Public Service Arbitration Act-Determinations-

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No. 44-Repatriation Department Medical Officers' Association.

- Nos. 51 and 52-Association of Officers of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization and Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 53-Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
- No. 54-Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.

No. 55-Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.

- No. 56—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others. No. 57—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia. No. 58—Commonwealth Legal Professional Officers' Association.

No. 59-Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association.

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- No. 1-Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 2-Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association.
- No. 4—Transport Workers' Union of Australia. No. 5—Postal Telecommunication Technicians' Association (Australia).
- No. 6-Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 7—Commonwealth Telephone and Phonogram Officers' Association. No. 8—Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen and others.
- No. 9-Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia.
- No. 10-Australian Workers' Union and Association of Railway Professional Officers of Australia
- No. 11-Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
- No. 12-Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act-Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority-Fifth Annual Report, for year 1953-54.

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3. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.—Mr. Chambers having proposed to Mr. Speaker that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The serious plight of age and invalid pensioners, due to the failure of the Government to provide adequate pensions for such pensioners "—

Mr. Speaker called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly-

Mr. Chambers addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Minogue rising to address the House-

Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.

Question-put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 56.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anthony Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brand Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown	Mr. Casey Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drummond Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Francis Mr. Freeth Mr. Hamilton Sir E. Harrison Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Joske Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie	Mr. Luck Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinnon Sir P. McBride Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Opperman Sir E. Page Mr. Pearce	Mr. Swartz Mr. Timson Mr. Townley Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Roberton	
		Noes, 48.		
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. Chambers	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Coutts Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Duthie Mr. Edmonds Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller	Mr. Galvin Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Johnson Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon Mr. Lawson Mr. Lemmon Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Mullens Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Stewart Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward	Mr. Webb Mr. Whitlam <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Daly Mr. Fitzgerald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. LANDS ACQUISITION BILL 1954.—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.

Question---put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		Ayrs, 54.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Allan	Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Roberton
Mr. Andrews	Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Davis	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bland	Mr. Dean	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Downer	Mr. Jack	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Joshua	Mr. McLeay	Tellers:
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. Joske	Mr. Mullens	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Brand	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kent Hughes	Sir E. Page	Mr. Opperman
		Nors, 36.		
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Crean	Mr. Greenup	Mr. McLeod	Tellers :
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Webb
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Riordan	
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time. Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1— Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly. Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. POSTFONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos, 2 to 4 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 5, Government Business,

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6. FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE-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. Menzies (Prime Minister), That the Paper [presented on the 20th April, 1955], viz. :-Foreign Affairs and Defence-Ministerial Statement, 20th April, 1955be printed-Suspension of Standing Orders .--- Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) from making his speech without limitation of time. Question-put and passed. Debate resumed. Ordered-That Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs) be granted an extension of time. Ordered-That Mr. Joshua be granted an extension of time.

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Bostock), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE-TRADE MARKS BILL 1955.-Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :--

MR. SPEAKER.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act relating to Trade Marks", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate, Canberra, 27th April, 1955.

Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a first time.

Ordered-That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE-PATENTS BILL 1955 .- Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :---

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Patents Act 1952-1954'", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,

A. M. McMullin, President.

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President.

A. M. McMullin,

Canberra, 27th April, 1955.

Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9. ADJOURNMENT .---- Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Member named and suspended.--Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for East Sydney (Mr. Ward) for interjecting after a warning had been given by the Chair.

Sir Eric Harrison moved, That the honorable Member for East Sydney be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 56.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan Mr. Anthony Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brand Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown	Mr. Casey Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drummond Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Freeth Mr. Hamilton Sir E. Hørrison Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie	Mr. Luck Mr. Lucock Mr. Mackinnon Sir P. McBride Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Menzies Mr. Opperman Mr. Pearce Mr. Roberton	Mr. Timson Mr. Townley Mr. Turnbull Mr. Turner Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler <i>Tellers</i> : Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz	
		Noes, 50.		
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Barnard Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell	Mr. Chambers Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Coutts Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Cremean Mr. Drakeford Mr. Edmonds Mr. Evatt	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths Mr. Haylen Mr. Johnson Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon Mr. Lawson	Mr. Luchetti Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mullens Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell	Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Webb Mr. Whitlam <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Daly Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. C. R. Cameron		Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Stewart	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative,

27th April, 1955.

The honorable Member was, therefore, suspended at nineteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., for twenty-four hours, under Standing Order No. 302, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber. Debate continued.

Member named and suspended .-- Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Yarra (Mr. Keon) for interjecting after a warning had been given by the Chair.

Sir Eric Harrison moved, That the honorable Member for Yarra be suspended from the service of the House.

Question-put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 54.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Casey	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeav	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Joske	Mr. Menzies	Tellers :
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Brand	Mr. Failes	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Roberton	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley	
		Noes, 48.	·	
Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Russell
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr Luchetti	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Webb
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mullens	Tellers :
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Joshua	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Keon	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Fitzgerald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The honorable Member was, therefore, suspended at ten minutes to eleven o'clock p.m. for twenty-four hours, under Standing Order No. 302, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber. Debate continued.

Ordered-That Mr. Haylen be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Member named and suspended .-- Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Parkes (Mr. Haylen) for interjecting after a warning had been given by the Chair.

Sir Eric Harrison moved, That the honorable Member for Parkes be suspended from the service of the House.

Question-put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		Ayes, 52.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Allan	Mr. Casey Mr. Cramer	Sir E. Harrison Mr. Haeluck	Mr. Mackinnon Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	MIT. WHEELEI
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Tellers :
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Joske	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Roberton	
Mr. Brand	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turnbull	
		Noes, 47.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Ma Ohnerhau	3.6 13 11		
	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti Mr. Makin	Mr. Stewart Mr. Thomps on
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod	Mr. Thompson Mr. Webb
Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Coutts	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Greenup	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan	Mr. Thompson Mr. Webb Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Coutts Mr. Crean	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mullens	Mr. Thompson Mr. Webb
Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Coutts Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths Mr. Haylen	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mullens Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Thompson Mr. Webb Mr. Whitlam Tellers:
Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Coutts Mr. Crean	Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mullens	Mr. Thompson Mr. Webb Mr. Whitlam

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The honorable Member was, therefore, suspended at six minutes past eleven o'clock p.m. for twenty-four hours, under Standing Order No. 302, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Debate continued.

Ordered---That Mr. Mullens be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Member named and suspended.-Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Gellibrand (Mr. Mullens) for interjecting after a warning had been given by the Chair.

Sir Eric Harrison moved, That the honorable Member for Gellibrand be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		Ayes, 47.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Casey	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Joske Mr. Kont Hughes	Mr. Menzies	Tellers :
Mr. Brand	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Demideen
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall Mr. Francis	Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie	Mr. Roberton Mr. Swartz	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Brown	MI. Flancis	MII. LACSING	MIL OWALLE	Mr. Gullett
		Nors, 44.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Makin	Mr. Webb
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Mullens	Tellers:
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Russell	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Stewart	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The honorable Member was, therefore, suspended at sixteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m. for twenty-four hours, under Standing Order No. 302, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber. Debate continued.

Member named.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Werriwa (Mr. Whitlam) for interjecting after a warning had been given by the Chair.

No motion being made, the matter was not further proceeded with.

Debate continued.

Ordered-That Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Closure .- Sir Eric 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, 56.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Joske	Mr. Menzies	Tellers :
Mr. Brand	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Roberton	Mr. Gullett
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Francis	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz	
		NoES, 45.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Makin	Mr. Webb
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Tellers :
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Greenup	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	Ū.
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Stewart	

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-four minutes to twelve o'clock midnight 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. Davies, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Howse, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Peters, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Wight.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.