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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1956.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Adermann) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 25.
 - Education Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 26.
 - Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Berthing of a Vessel.
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Return of land disposed of under section 63.
 - Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1956—
 - No. 1 (Motor Vehicles Ordinance).
 - No. 4 (Brands Ordinance).
 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 - Attorney-General—B. A. H. Galloway.
 - Labour and National Service—M. Davies.
 - Postmaster-General—R. K. Burbidge, A. C. Cheal, E. M. F. De Lacy, J. G. G. Ewing, A. L. Fisher.
 - Works—C. R. Broadbent, N. D. George, L. C. Mason, D. C. Morgan.
 - Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1956—
 - No. 14—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 - No. 15—Supervising Technicians' Association, Postmaster-General's Department.
 - Public Works Committee Act—Twenty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.
 - Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1956, No. 24.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General has announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills :—
 - 27th March, 1956—*Message No. 4*—
 - Meat Export (Additional Charge) 1956.
 - Meat Agreement (Deficiency Payments) 1956.
 - Fisheries 1956.
4. NATIONAL ECONOMY—ECONOMIC MEASURES—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 14th March, 1956*], viz. :—
 - National Economy—Economic Measures—Ministerial Statement—
 - be printed—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Crean, viz. :—*That all words after " Paper " be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof :—" so far as it discloses a policy of increasing interest rates on bank overdrafts is injurious to the large majority of the people of Australia and should be rejected "—
 - Debate resumed.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Cope), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
 - Defence Production—R. Axisa, H. Bellamy, O. S. Broughton, R. C. Dengate, G. F. Edwards, G. E. Fowler, K. A. R. Scholz, T. L. Shelton, R. M. Whalley.
 - Supply—A. F. Bunker, J. E. Dowling, A. Lench.

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ward addressing 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 Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 54.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Cleaver	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Clarey	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	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 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. Anthony, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bland, Mr. Brand, Mr. Cairns, Mr. A. G. Cameron, Mr. Daly*, Mr. Drury, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Haylen and Sir Earle Page.

* On leave.

A. A. TREGEAR,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.