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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 31.

THURSDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1958.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for postal purposes—
Four Mile Creek, New South Wales.
Tregeagle, New South Wales.
3. 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 £27,450

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

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

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 5).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 5).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1958, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the fourteenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the fifteenth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1958 as so amended.

THE SCHEDULE.
IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION IV.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND GROCERIES.			
78. By omitting sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(F) Peanuts, unshelled; peanut kernels - - per lb.	5d.	8d.	8d.”
DIVISION VII.—OILS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES.			
229. By adding a new sub-item (N) as follows:— “(N) Peanut oil, edible— (1) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - (2) Other - - - - per gallon	Free 3s.	Free 5s.	Free 5s.”

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

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 Tariff Board—Reports—
 Chrome Chemicals.
 Mica.
 Unshelled Peanuts, Peanut Kernels and Peanut Oil.
 Wristlet Watch Cases and Movements.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

6. SUPPLY—BUDGET DEBATE.—The House, according to Order, again 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 £27,450

be agreed to, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), viz.:—

That the first item be reduced by £1.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Lawrence reported accordingly.

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

7. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Australian Capital Territory Soil Conservation Council—Report and Statements of Receipts and Payments, for years 1955–56 and 1956–57.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eight minutes past eleven 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. Bowden, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Crean, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. James, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Townley and Mr. Watkins.

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