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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 71.

FRIDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1947.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Petitions, praying that no further steps should be taken by the Government towards the nationalization of the banking system without first seeking the authority of the Australian people, were presented as under :—
By Mr. Cameron, from certain electors of the State of South Australia,
By Mr. Howse, from certain electors of the Division of Calare,
By Mr. Anthony, from certain electors of the Division of Richmond, and
By Sir Earle Page, from certain electors of the Division of Cowper.
Petitions severally received and read.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—1947—No. 72—
Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia, and others.
4. 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	£9,900
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be agreed to.

Ordered—That Mr. Fadden be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

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

The House resumed : Mr. Clark reported accordingly.

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 7 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 8, Government Business.
6. POST-WAR DEFENCE POLICY—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. Dedman (Minister for Defence), That the Paper [*presented on the 4th June, 1947*], viz. :—
Post-war Defence Policy—Ministerial Statement
be printed
Debate resumed.
Mr. Chambers (Minister for the Army) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes past three o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Evatt, Mr. Gaha, Dame Enid Lyons, Mr. McBride, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Russell, Mr. Scullin and Mr. Ward.

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