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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 125.

THURSDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1948.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. RETIREMENT OF PRINCIPAL PARLIAMENTARY REPORTER.—Mr. Speaker announced to the House the retirement of Mr. A. P. Adams, Principal Parliamentary Reporter, and expressed appreciation of the services rendered to the Parliament by Mr. Adams.
Mr. Speaker informed the House that, consequent upon the retirement of Mr. Adams, Mr. W. J. M. Campbell had been appointed Principal Parliamentary Reporter and Mr. H. H. Temperly, Second Reporter.
Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister), Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) and Mr. Fadden also addressed the House in appreciation of the service given by Mr. Adams.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—
 - Department of Civil Aviation purposes—
 - Derby, Western Australia.
 - Rockhampton, Queensland.
 - Wynyard, Tasmania.
 - Overseas Telecommunications Commission purposes—Esperance, Western Australia.
4. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS—STATEMENT BY MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister), That the Paper [*presented on the 11th March, 1948*], viz. :—
International Affairs—Statement prepared by the Minister for External Affairs, 11th March, 1948—
be printed—
Debate resumed.
Ordered—That Mr. Gaha be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Ordered—That Mr. Thompson be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Mr. Spender be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Mr. Haylen be granted an extension of time.
Ordered—That Mr. McEwen be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Mr. Holt 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.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

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And then the House, at six 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. Dedman, Mr. Evatt, Mr. James, Dame Enid Lyons, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Scullin and Mr. Watkins.

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