

1948.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1948.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1948—
 - No. 68—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association and others.
 - No. 69—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
 - Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Department of Works and Housing—
 - M. S. Hallissy, V. M. Oppel, L. E. Schunke, D. C. Shannon.
 - Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—
 - Orders—Inventions and designs (15).
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Postal purposes—
 - Belmore, New South Wales.
 - Coburg, Victoria.
 - Miranda, New South Wales.
 - North Ryde, New South Wales.
4. AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS' REPATRIATION BILL 1948.—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—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. White, viz. :—*That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof :—"the Bill be withdrawn and referred to a Parliamentary Select Committee of ex-servicemen appointed to inquire into and report upon the present repatriation pension rates with a view to better adjusting these rates to present living costs"—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Barnard (Minister for Repatriation) 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. Barnard (Minister for Repatriation) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Several Members rising to address the House—
Closure.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put.

19th and 20th October, 1948.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 31.

Noes, 21.

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| Mr. Barnard | Mr. Langtry |
| Mrs. Blackburn | Mr. Lawson |
| Mr. Brennan | Mr. Lazzarini |
| Mr. Burke | Mr. Lemmon |
| Mr. Calwell | Mr. O'Connor |
| Mr. Chambers | Mr. Pollard |
| Mr. Daly | Mr. Riordan |
| Mr. Dedman | Mr. Scully |
| Mr. Drakeford | Mr. Thompson |
| Mr. Duthie | Mr. Ward |
| Mr. Edmonds | Mr. Watkins |
| Mr. Fraser | Mr. Williams |
| Mr. Gaha | |
| Mr. Hadley | |
| Mr. Haylen | |
| Mr. Holloway | |
| Mr. Johnson | |

*Tellers:*Mr. Fuller
Mr. Sheehan

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| Mr. Abbott | Dame Enid Lyons |
| Mr. Beale | Mr. McBride |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. McEwen |
| Mr. Cameron | Mr. Rankin |
| Mr. Davidson | Mr. Ryan |
| Mr. Fadden | Mr. Turnbull |
| Mr. Francis | Mr. White |
| Mr. Gullett | |
| Mr. Hamilton | |
| Mr. Harrison | |
| Mr. Hutchinson | |
| Mr. Lang | |

*Tellers:*Mr. Corser
Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

WEDNESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1948

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 32.

Noes, 20.

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| Mr. Barnard | Mr. Lang |
| Mrs. Blackburn | Mr. Langtry |
| Mr. Brennan | Mr. Lawson |
| Mr. Burke | Mr. Lazzarini |
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| Mr. Hamilton | |
| Mr. Harrison | |
| Mr. Hutchinson | |

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Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at three minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Blain, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. James, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Russell, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Sheehy and Mr. Spender.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.