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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 58.

TUESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1950.

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, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Nauru—

Orders—

1948—No. 1—Judiciary Ordinance—Rules of Court (Admission of Barristers and Solicitors).

1949—No. 1—Quarantine (Animal) Regulations.

Ordinances—

1948—No. 2—Judiciary.

1949—

No. 1—Oaths.

No. 2—Marriages.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—

Civil Aviation—R. E. Gillman.

Repatriation—W. L. Forsyth.

Supply—D. G. Collingwood.

Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Twenty-second Annual Report of the Australian Wine Board, for year 1949–50, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

3. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Daly proposing to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The failure of the Government to provide adequate pharmaceutical benefits and services to meet the needs of the Australian public, and to inform Parliament of its proposals"—

Mr. Deputy Speaker called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Daly moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That Sir Earle Page (Minister for Health) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 92.

4. LOAN (HOUSING) BILL 1950.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Chifley (Leader of the Opposition) 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. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1950–51.—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—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Daly 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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6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. 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 fifteen minutes past eleven 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. Brown, Mr. A. G. Cameron, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Drury, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Eric J. Harrison, Mr. Kent Hughes, Dame Enid Lyons*, Mr. McEwen, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. E. H. D. Russell, Mr. Spender and Mr. Ward.

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