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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 152.

FRIDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1953.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement—Commonwealth Telecommunications Board—Second General Report, for 1952, and Statement of Accounts to 31st March, 1952.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1953—
No. 58—Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union.
No. 59—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
No. 60—Commonwealth Storemen and Packers' Union.
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Canberra University College Ordinance—Canberra University College—Report for 1952.
3. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, by leave, That Mr. Lawrence be appointed a Member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, in the place of Mr. McDonald, deceased.
Question—put and passed.
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—

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| Salaries and allowances | £19,900 |
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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 the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Mr. Ward rising to address the House—
Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.
And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at one minute past five 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. Beazley, Mr. Berry, Mr. Brown, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Davies, Mr. Drury, Mr. Failes, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Gullett, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Howse, Mr. Lawson, Sir Philip McBride, Mr. McEwen, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Mullens, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Treloar, Mr. Whitlam and Mr. Wilson.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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