THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 55.

THURSDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1956.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth-Superannuation Fund-Report of the sixth quinquennial investigation of the Fund, as at the

30th June, 1952.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Lands Acquisition Act-Land, &c., acquired for Civil Aviation purposes-North Ryde, New South Wales.

Nationality and Citizenship Act-Return for year 1955-56.

3. 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 £26.500

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.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.-Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without requests :-

6th September, 1956-Message-

- No. 57-Customs Tariff (No. 2) 1956.
- No. 58-Excise Tariff (No. 2) 1956.
- No. 59-Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1956.
- No. 60-Customs Tariff (Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland Preference) 1956.
- No. 61-Customs Tariff (No. 3) 1956.
- 5. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Roberton (Minister for Social Services) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes past eleven 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. Anthony, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Brand, Mr. Fairbairn*, Mr. Fairhall, Sir Eric Harrison, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Townley, Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Wight.

* On leave.

A. A. TREGEAR,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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