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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 35.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1959.

1. The House met, at fifteen minutes to three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. NATIONAL RADIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE—SECOND ANNUAL REPORT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
National Radiation Advisory Committee—Second Annual Report, July, 1959.
Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the Report, and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Evatt—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Health—P. Wells.
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. 101.—
Senate—namely—

Salaries and allowances	£29,600
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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. Bowden reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—PETROLEUM SEARCH SUBSIDY BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 62.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to Encourage the Search for Petroleum in Australia by Subsidizing Stratigraphic Drilling and certain other Operations", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 18th August, 1959.

On the motion of Sir Garfield Barwick (Minister representing the Minister for National Development), the Bill was read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn. ----
Debate ensued.

Member named.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Lalor (Mr. Pollard) for refusing to withdraw an unparliamentary expression.

Mr. Pollard having withdrawn the remark and the withdrawal having been accepted by Mr. Speaker, the matter was not further proceeded with.

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1959.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two 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. Bird, Mr. Bury, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Drury, Mr. Failes, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Nelson, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Riordan and Mr. Snedden.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.