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 THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.
 

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 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
 OF THE  
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
 

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 No. 124.
 

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TUESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1953.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., according to the terms of the Resolution of the 6th November last.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. RETURNS TO WRITS—WERRIWA AND BRADFIELD DIVISIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received Returns to the Writs which he had issued on the 28th October and 19th November last for the election of Members to serve for the Electoral Divisions of Werriwa and Bradfield, in the State of New South Wales, to fill the vacancies caused by the deaths of the Honorable Hubert Peter Lazzarini and the Right Honorable William Morris Hughes, respectively. By the endorsement on the Writs, it was certified that Edward Gough Whitlam had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Werriwa, and that Henry Basil Turner had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Bradfield.
3. MEMBERS SWORN.—Edward Gough Whitlam, Esquire, and Henry Basil Turner, Esquire, were introduced, and made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
4. DEATH OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE J. H. SCULLIN.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) referred to the death on the 28th January last, of the Right Honorable J. H. Scullin, and moved, That this House expresses its deep regret at the death of the Right Honorable James Henry Scullin, a former Member of this House for the Division of Yarra and a former Prime Minister and Minister of the Crown, places on record its appreciation of his meritorious public service and tenders its profound sympathy to his widow in her bereavement.  
 And Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Sir Earle Page (Minister for Health), Mr. Keon and Mr. Cremean having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—  
 Question—passed.
5. DEATH OF SENATOR J. H. CHAMBERLAIN.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) referred to the death on the 16th January last, of Senator J. H. Chamberlain, and moved, That this House expresses its deep regret at the death of Senator John Hartley Chamberlain, a Member of the Senate of the Commonwealth Parliament, places on record its appreciation of his meritorious public service and tenders its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.  
 And Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—  
 Question—passed.
6. ADJOURNMENT AS MARK OF RESPECT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) then moved, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Scullin, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bruce, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Clark, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Leslie, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Riordan and Mr. Treloar.

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F. C. GREEN,  
*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*