THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 119.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1952.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. RETURN TO WRIT—FLINDERS DIVISION.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Return to the Writ which he had issued on the 16th September last for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Flinders, in the State of Victoria, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Rupert Sumner Ryan, and that by the endorsement on the Writ, it was certified that Keith Walter Wilson Ewert had been elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
- 3. Member Sworn.—Keith Walter Wilson Ewert, Esquire, was introduced, and made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 4. Death of Member (the Right Honorable W. M. Hughes).—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) announced, with deep regret, the death earlier this day of the Right Honorable William Morris Hughes, and moved, That this House expresses its deep regret at the death of the Right Honorable William Morris Hughes, C.H., Q.C., Member of this House for the Division of Bradfield, a former Prime Minister of Australia and for many years a Minister of the Crown, places on record its appreciation of his distinguished public service, and tenders its profound sympathy to his widow and other members of his family in their bereavement.

And Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion and Sir Earle Page (Minister for Health), Mr. Gullett and Mr. James having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—

Question—passed.

ADJOURNMENT AS MARK OF RESPECT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) then moved, as a mark of respect
to the memory of the late Mr. Hughes, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes past three 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. Adermann*, Mr. Anthony*, Mr. Bland, Mr. Bostock, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. Casey, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Davies, Mr. Hulme, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Roberton and Mr. Wheeler.

On leave.

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