Given under my Hand and Seal at Ottawa, Canada, on the twenty-second day of January, 1952.

LOUIS O. BREITHAUPT (L.S.)

Witness: C. D. HOWE
Witness: PAUL MARTIN.

The following Member, having previously taken the Oath according to Law, and subscribed the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House:—

Carl Olof Nickle, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Calgary West.

Mr. St. Laurent, by leave of the House, introduced a Bill, No. 1, An Act respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office, which was read the first time.

Mr. Speaker reported, that when the House did attend His Excellency the Governor General this day in the Senate Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, and to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy, which is as follows:—

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I meet you at a time when the people of Canada, in common with the other peoples of the Commonwealth, mourn the loss of our late Sovereign, King George VI. His late Majesty was greatly loved by all His subjects in Canada who have vivid recollections of His visit to this country and of His many associations with His Canadian people. In no part of the Commonwealth has the sense of personal loss been more deeply felt than in our country. I join with you in extending deepest sympathy in their bereavement to Her Majesty the Queen, to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, to Queen Mary, to Princess Margaret and all the members of the Royal Family.

The people of Canada have already had an opportunity of meeting their new Sovereign. In the course of her visit to our country a few months ago Her Majesty made a deep and lasting impression on her Canadian subjects. As the Queen assumes her heavy responsibilities she is assured of the loyalty and devotion of the Canadian people in full measure.

I am deeply sensible of the great honour of having been appointed by His late Majesty as His personal Representative in my native land. As I take up my duties as the Representative of the Queen, I assure you of the pleasure with which I look forward to our association in Parliament and I deem it a privilege to be connected with you in your labours for the welfare and happiness of the Canadian people.

The situation throughout the world continues to cause concern and to require my Ministers to devote a great deal of attention to our external affairs. The government remains convinced that the nations of the free world must continue to increase their combined strength, in order to ensure lasting peace and security by the effective discouragement of aggression.