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Re: the proposed redrawing of electoral boundaries leading to the elimination of the seat of Reid

I am alarmed at the proposed elimination of the electoral seat of Reid. The name of George Reid which the seat now bears is of immense significance to this country. His contribution to the colonial parliament and the federal parliament of Australia is greater than most other early parliamentarians. As a true liberal he conjoined in his approach to legislative change, the conservative component as well as the radical, as associated with the Labor parliamentarians of the period. His contributions to the several constitutional debates leading to the federation of the colonies, was measured and responsible and entirely free of selfinterest. As High Commissioner to London – the first - he concerned himself with the welfare of the Australian soldiers. His memory as a most important Premier and Prime Minister should be commemorated in some form.

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