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WEDNESDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1966.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at three p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The President (Senator the Honorable Sir Alister McMullin) took the Chair.
2. PRAYERS.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment—G. J. Finn.
5. STATEMENT BY SENATOR.—Senator Prowse, by leave, made a statement relating to an interjection which had been incorrectly attributed to him in *Hansard*.
6. HOLT MINISTRY—POLICY STATEMENT—PAPER.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the motion by the Minister for Supply (Senator Henty), viz.—That the Senate take note of the Paper—
And on the Amendment moved thereto by Senator Kennelly, viz.—Leave out all words after “That”, insert—
“ the Senate records—
 - (1) its most emphatic opposition to the despatch of conscripted youths for service in Vietnam and the increased military commitment in that country, and
 - (2) its disapproval of and grave concern at the Government's failure—
 - (a) to maintain the purchasing power of the Australian community;
 - (b) to retain an adequate and proper Australian share in the ownership and development of our national resources, particularly in Northern Australia;
 - (c) to alleviate the effects of the drought and take steps to rehabilitate rural industries and conserve water resources;
 - (d) to make adequate provision for housing and associated community facilities; and
 - (e) to submit to referendum the two Bills to alter the Constitution in respect of Aborigines and the Parliament which were passed last year and, in connexion with the latter Bill, to disclose the related distribution proposals ”.

Debate resumed.

Senator Wheeldon addressing the Chair—

And it being 11 p.m.—

7. ADJOURNMENT.—The President, under Sessional Order, put the Question—That the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—resolved in the affirmative.
The Senate adjourned at eleven minutes past eleven p.m. till to-morrow at eleven a.m.
8. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Lillico (on leave), Ormonde (on leave) and Tangney (on leave).

J. R. ODGERS,
Clerk of the Senate.