

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH MEETING OF THE  
JOINT SENATE-HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP CALLED FOR  
TUESDAY, MARCH FIRST, 1966, AT 3:30 P.M. IN THE CAPITOL  
OFFICE (H-202) OF THE HOUSE MINORITY LEADER, THE HONORABLE  
GERALD R. FORD

Present:

Congressmen Ford, Arends, Laird, Rhodes, Smith, Wilson, Goodell  
Senators Dirksen, Kuchel, Saltonstall, Morton

Absent:

Chairman Bliss  
Senator Hickenlooper

Also Present:

William Hatch, William Pendergast, Arthur Peterson,  
Harry Brookshire, Mark Trice

In the absence of the Chairman and the temporary absence of  
Senator Dirksen, Congressman Ford called the meeting to order at 3:43 P.M.

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Congressman Ford read his previously-prepared statement on this  
subject and asked for suggestions. Thereafter Congressman Ford read the  
statement previously-prepared by Senator Dirksen. Changes were made in  
both statements and they were approved. A copy of both statements is  
attached.

Congressman Smith stated that hearings had been set on the Situs  
Picketing Bill and the general opinion was that if the Rules Committee  
approved it, it would pass the House. It was also stated that the Rules  
Committee would take up the Freedom Academy Bill which was considered a  
bad bill and they hoped that correcting amendments could be made to it.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

*J. Mark Trice*  
Acting Secretary