

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH MEETING OF THE JOINT  
REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS CALLED FOR THURSDAY,  
MARCH 12, 1964, AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE CAPITOL OFFICE  
(H-202) OF THE HOUSE MINORITY LEADER, THE HONORABLE  
CHARLES A. HALLECK

Present:

Members: Senators Dirksen, Saltonstall, Morton, Hickenlooper  
Congressmen Halleck, Brown, Byrnes, Arends, Ford, Wilson

Absent: The Presiding Officer, Congressman William E. Miller  
Senator Kuchel  
Congressman Brown

Also Present: Robert Humphreys, Bryce Harlow, Harry Brookshire,  
Robert Allett, Mark Trice

Senator Dirksen called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

A "Togetherness" Policy  
The New Numbers Game -- Federal Payroll  
Other Legislative Matters

A "Togetherness" Policy

Senator Dirksen first read the background memorandum and then read the previously-prepared statement on this subject. At the suggestion of Senator Morton the word "blundering" was stricken and the statement was then approved.

A copy is attached.

The New Numbers Game -- Federal Payroll

Congressman Halleck then read the previously-prepared statement on this subject and it was suggested by Congressman Wilson that emphasis be placed in this statement to the effect that by electing more Republicans greater budget cuts could be made. Congressman Byrnes suggested that the last paragraph of the original statement be deleted and that the suggestion made by Congressman Byrnes be included there. The statement was amended in this respect and approved. A copy is attached.

Other Legislative Matters

There was general discussion in regard to the recent New Hampshire primary as well as the pending pay raise bill up for action in the House today.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

*J. Mark Trice.*  
Acting Secretary