

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH MEETING OF
THE JOINT SENATE-HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP CALLED
FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH THIRTIETH, 1966, AT 2:00 P.M.
IN THE CAPITOL OFFICE (H-202) OF THE HOUSE MINORITY
LEADER, THE HONORABLE GERALD R. FORD

Present:

Chairman Bliss
Congressmen Ford, Arends, Laird, Wilson, Goodell
Senators Hickenlooper, Saltonstall, Morton

Absent:

Congressmen Rhodes, Smith
Senators Dirksen, Kuchel

Also Present:

John Fisher, William Pendergast, Harry Brookshire,
Robert Hartman, J. Mark Trice

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:05 P.M. and recognized Congressman Ford who proceeded to read his previously-prepared statement on the subject of Inflation. After several changes the statement was approved and a copy is attached.

In the absence of Senator Dirksen, Senator Hickenlooper read the previously-prepared statement to be given by Senator Dirksen on the same subject. Several changes were made and the statement was approved. A copy is also attached.

Congressman Ford asked a question of the Chairman concerning the possibility of a nationwide voter survey to get at the issues. Chairman Bliss replied that it was expected that one would be taken in June and another in September.

Question was raised about the cost of such a survey and the Chairman stated that he thought at the present time it was possible to get substantial results without entailing additional costs.

The Chairman raised the question about the next meeting of the Joint Leadership and it was suggested that a meeting be held next Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock as a meeting would not be held the following week.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:40 P.M.

J. Mark Trice.
Acting Secretary