

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING
OF THE JOINT SENATE-HOUSE REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP CALLED
FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE FIFTEENTH, 1966, AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE
CAPITOL OFFICE (S-230) OF THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER,
THE HONORABLE EVERETT MC KINLEY DIRKSEN

Present:

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

Absent:

Senators Kuchel, Hickenlooper
Congressmen Rhodes, Smith

Also Present:

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

Chairman Bliss called the meeting to order at 2:08 P.M. and recognized Senator Dirksen who spoke of a meeting at 4:00 o'clock this afternoon with the Attorney General with regard to Section 4 of the new Civil Rights Bill. He stated that he had asked Congressman McCulloch to attend the meeting. Senator Dirksen spoke of previous discussions with the Attorney General and stated that so far the Attorney General had not come up with any recommendations in regard to Chapter 4.

Congressman Ford spoke of the situation in the House in regard to Chapter 4 and stated it was the desire of big city Democrats not to vote on the issue. He was of the opinion that Chapter 4 could be easily dropped in the House Committee.

The Chairman recognized Congressman Ford who read his previously-prepared statement in regard to Farm Prices and because Senator Dirksen had to attend to duties on the Floor, Senator Saltonstall read the

previously-prepared statement of Senator Dirksen. After changes in both statements they were approved as read.

It was suggested that in order to emphasize the Question of the Week it might be repeated in unison.

The question was raised concerning the use of mirrors at the press conference and upon ascertaining that the cost would be \$30,000.00 the matter was left in the hands of the Chairman to check into the need and use of the mirrors for other appearances, as well as cost.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

J. Mark Trice.
Acting Secretary