

MINUTES OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE JOINT REPUBLICAN  
CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS CALLED FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1964, AT  
9:00 A.M. IN THE CAPITOL OFFICE (S-230) OF THE SENATE MINORITY  
LEADER, THE HONORABLE EVERETT MC KINLEY DIRKSEN

Present:

Senators Dirksen, Saltonstall, Kuchel, Hickenlooper, Morton  
Congressmen Halleck, Brown, Byrnes, Arends, Ford

Absent:

The Presiding Officer, William E. Miller  
Congressman Wilson

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

Prior to Senator Dirksen calling the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M.,  
Congressman Halleck spoke briefly about the Congressional recess for the  
Republican National Committee and stated that a showdown on the matter  
would take place next Tuesday.

He stated that there was pressure in the House to bring up the  
Poverty Bill before the coming of the Republican Convention. He also spoke  
briefly on the Mass Transit Bill and the change in thinking on the part of  
several large companies for it.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

Supreme Court Decision on Apportionment  
of State Legislatures

Other Legislative Matters

SUPREME COURT DECISION ON  
APPORTIONMENT OF STATE LEGISLATURES

Senator Dirksen read his prepared speech on this subject but prior  
thereto he asked Bob Humphreys to comment on the Supreme Court decision,  
which he did, together with a historical background analysis. Congressman  
Halleck also read his prepared statement on this subject.

There was much general discussion and the universal opinion was that the matter had to be approached in some manner by constitutional amendment.

Senator Kuchel registered strong opposition to both statements, based primarily on the apportionment situation in California.

It was finally agreed that both statements should be rewritten to satisfy in part the objections of Senator Kuchel.

Both statements were approved subject to a rewrite. Copies are attached.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

*J. Mark Tice.*  
Acting Secretary