

MINUTES OF THE NINETIETH MEETING OF THE JOINT REPUBLICAN
CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS CALLED FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1964,
AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE CAPITOL OFFICE (H-202) OF THE HOUSE
MINORITY LEADER, THE HONORABLE CHARLES A. HALLECK

Present:

Chairman Dean Burch

Senators Dirksen, Kuchel
Congressmen Halleck, Brown

Absent:

Senators Hickenlooper, Saltonstall, Morton
Congressmen Arends, Byrnes, Ford, Wilson

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

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dean Burch, at
9:12 A.M.

The agenda is as follows:

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Use of Atomic Weapons

Legislation, Adjournment Plans, if any

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The Chairman recognized Senator Dirksen who read the previously-
prepared press release on this subject and after one minor change the
statement was approved. A copy is attached.

"We have a Politician in the White House"

The Chairman then recognized Congressman Halleck who read his
previously-prepared press statement on this subject and after several
minor changes it was approved. A copy is attached.

Use of Atomic Weapons

The Chairman then read for the information of the members present a prepared statement on this subject and suggested that several quotes be added to it. The statement was generally discussed and it was the consensus that it would be released on Friday.

The Chairman stated that at this time the greatest issue is the atomic issue and that he would appear before the Press Club this week in the hope that this matter might be clarified. The statement on behalf of the Joint Leadership would then be released, to be followed by a concise statement on the part of Senator Goldwater.

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Mr. Halleck stated that Speaker McCormack said that the House would not proceed with the Appalachia Bill until the Senate had passed it.

Congressman Brown raised the question as to the advisability of House members accompanying Senator Goldwater in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois when it is expected that some phase of the Social Security Conference Report would be up in the House.

Senator Dirksen spoke briefly on his modified amendment on Reapportionment and stated that Senator Mansfield was meeting with certain members on his side this morning and said that he hoped that there might be some final determination made by this afternoon.

It was suggested that Senator Goldwater should be present for the vote on the Social Security Conference Report when it comes up for consideration.

It was also stated that with the Democrats in control of the farm machinery, a lot of conflicting rumors are being circulated in regard to Senator Goldwater's position on that subject.

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