

## MONUMENTAL LIE OF THE CENTURY

**“WE’VE WORKED TO PASS **EVERY**  
**ONE** OF OUR NATION’S CIVIL RIGHTS  
LAWS. ON **EVERY** CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE,  
DEMOCRATS **LED THE FIGHT.”****

—DEMOCRATS.ORG (2005-2011)

1957 The Civil Rights Acts of 1957 (voting rights),  
1960 ‘60 (voting rights), ‘64 (based on Civil Rights  
1964 of 1875), ‘65 (voting rights), and ‘68 (equal  
1965 housing) are finally bipartisan but passed by  
1968 much greater margins of **GOP** than Dems.

1918-1924 Republican Leonidas Dyer introduced  
**anti-lynching bill** in 1918. Mostly **GOP**  
votes pass bill in House (Dems oppose)  
but Senate Democrats block any vote.

1870-1877 Every black Congressional member  
was Republican (Hiram Rhodes Revels,  
Joseph Rainey & Blanche Bruce.)  
**The first Congresswoman (1916)**  
was a **Republican**—Jeannette Rankin.

1870 Republicans introduce and pass the **15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Amendment** prohibiting government  
from preventing any citizen from voting  
based on “race, color or previous con-  
dition of servitude.” **House Democrats**  
**voted unanimously against the bill.**

1865 Republicans introduce and pass the  
**13<sup>th</sup> Amendment** abolishing slavery.  
Democrats vote unanimously  
**against** the landmark bill.

1863-1877 “Radical” Republicans took over  
Southern legislatures to reform  
former Confederate governments  
to ensure the protection and civil  
rights of black Americans.

1861-1865 The American Civil War erupts  
between the Union (20 free &  
5 border slave states) and the  
the Confederate (slave) states.  
Over 600,000 perish.

1854 Congress passes **Kansas-Nebraska**  
**Act** expanding slavery into new  
territories, nullifying the Missouri  
Compromise. **New party emerges**  
**to abolish slavery--the Republicans.**

1619-1863 Our nation’s soul is stained  
by the inhumanity of **slavery**  
shackling and killing millions.

1890-1965 “Black Codes” and Jim Crow laws were  
**passed by Democrats** to suppress the  
Constitutional rights of blacks, such as  
**“separate but equal”** laws and anti-voting  
efforts like poll taxes and literacy tests.

1920 Introduced by Republican Aaron A. Sargent  
in 1878, the **19th Amendment** (giving  
women the right to vote) is ratified after  
Democrat-controlled House fails to allow a  
vote. Republican-controlled 66th Congress  
passes bill (91% **GOP** vote for it, 60% Dems).

1866-1875 Republicans introduce and pass **every**  
Civil Rights bill (unanimously voted  
against by Democrats). This includes the  
Civil Rights Act of 1871, called the **Ku**  
**Klux Klan Act**, to stop KKK violence.

1868 Republicans introduce and pass the **14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Amendment**, giving former slaves citizen-  
ship and barring states from depriving  
anyone of “life, liberty or property without  
due process of law”. Democrats vote  
unanimously **against** it.

1865 Democrats establish the first American  
terrorist organization, the **Ku Klux Klan**.  
Using violence, intimidation, and murder  
the KKK attacked **black and white**  
Republicans throughout the country.

1862/1863 Republican president Abraham  
Lincoln issues the **Emancipation**  
**Proclamation** freeing thousands  
in DC and 3-4 million slaves in  
the states at war with Union.

1857 Supreme Court rules in **Dred Scott**  
decision that black people are just  
property and can be sold, traded  
or killed because they have no  
Constitutional rights (7-2 vote).

1847 Republican and former slave, **Frederick**  
**Douglass**, publishes first abolitionist  
newspaper, The North Star w/ the  
slogan: “*Right is of no Sex--Truth is*  
*of no Color--God is the Father of us all,*  
*and we are all Brethren.*”

One of the inscriptions inside the Washington Monument is Luke 17:6. It was truly this “mustard seed faith” that moved mountains in the fight for civil rights.

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