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U.S. Efforts

LITTLE ROCK 'UNEARNED VICTORY' FOR SOVIET, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

Little Rock was "a devastating blow to American prestige in Asia and Africa", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey told the Institute on Human Relations today at F.D.R. Memorial Hall in Minneapolis.

"The efforts of Governor Faubus to nullify and obstruct constitutional law, and the hesitancy and uncertainty of the President as to what to do about it, has been exploited by the Soviet propaganda machine in every part of the world," Senator Humphrey said.

"Little Rock was for us a humiliating defeat -- and for the Soviet Union, an unearned propaganda victory. It will take a long time and a long record of positive accomplishments in securing civil rights to repair the damage done."

Senator Humphrey addressed the luncheon meeting of the Institute, sponsored by the Minnesota Labor Committee for Human Rights, on the topic, "Civil Rights and American Foreign Policy".

Because the fate of the free world may hinge on Asia and Africa, "what we do or fail to do about civil rights here at home has a tremendous impact on our international relations," Senator Humphrey declared.

"Faced as we are with a new Soviet approach in those areas where the greatest doubt and misunderstandings as to our way of life exist, we are now, more than ever, challenged to prove human rights, social justice, and human dignities are more than just catch-phrases in our democracy.

"Yet that is what we should be doing regardless of any Communist threat to the world -- we should be doing it because it is morally right.

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AFRICA*

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"Had Karl Marx never lived, and Lenin and Stalin never come to power in the Soviet Union -- had communism never been heard of -- there would still be great social challenges that we cannot afford to ignore.

"We ought not to need, as our motivation for doing what we ought to do anyway, the wicked and evil philosophy of communism," Senator Humphrey declared.



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