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HUMPHREY CALLS FOR APPALACHIAN MASTER PLAN TO COORDINATE DEVELOPMENT AND ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAMS

WHEELING, West Va., Dec. 10--Senator Hubert H. Humphrey tonight called for a unified Appalachian Master Plan to coordinate development and anti-poverty programs for that region of nearly 20 million people.

"Appalachia will again become a forgotten and neglected land unless the fragmentation of strategies to help the region are unified," Senator Humphrey told the annual COPE dinner here.

"Such agencies as the OEO, the Appalachian Regional Commission, the Economic Development Administration, HUD, HEW, and the Labor Department are now pursuing separate strategies when we need one strategy.

"If we continue to have separate poverty programs, health programs, road building programs, job training programs instead of designing a single and unified Appalachian Development Program we will fail in our promise to improve the quality of life for nearly 20 million people."

Senator Humphrey also drew a series of parallels between today's economic and social conditions and those of 1960 when he and Senator John F. Kennedy campaigned in West Virginia.

"The spring of 1960 was the beginning of a new decade and a time of great change and challenge," he said. "So it is today.

"In the spring of 1960, our nation was suffering from a crisis of leadership and unfulfilled promise. And so it is today.

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"In 1960, West Virginia became a symbol of eight years of Republican failure. The people of West Virginia became symbols of those left behind by an affluent nation.

"Today, West Virginia is no longer a lone symbol of government neglect. Today, every city and rural corner of America is a living symbol of how an administration has turned its back on the urgent and unmet needs of the people.

"I believe we must establish three national priorities in areas where this Administration has failed.

"First, we must put Americans back to work.

"Unemployment in Wheeling today stands at 6.5 per cent. Statewide, 35,000 people are out of work. We must have programs to create jobs:

-- "An expanded and accelerated public works program.

-- "A nationwide public service employment program.

-- "Real stimulation of consumer spending through more substantial tax relief.

-- "An immediate expansion of housing construction.

"Second, government must refocus on the needs of people. We need a greater commitment of resources to urgent domestic needs in urban and rural America. And we must develop programs that will involve people in the crucial decisions that affect their everyday lives.

"Third, we must develop a single strategy for regional and national development.

"We must pursue a strategy of dynamic domestic development that will bridge the gap between our ability to build things and our inability to provide for people."

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REMARKS BY SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

ANNUAL COPE DINNER

Wheeling, West Virginia

December 10, 1971

I've come to West Virginia to talk with you about what needs to be done now to put America back on its feet and put millions of Americans back to work.

The score card after three years of Republican government is not bad -- it's a disaster.

-- Over five million Americans are out of work.

-- Thousands of people are losing their unemployment compensation benefits each week.

-- The cost of living continues to rise.

-- Americans are losing confidence in their economy and in their government's ability to solve the economic crisis.

-- And the farmer faces a crisis of neglect and falling prices which is forcing many family farmers off the land.

Eleven years ago John Kennedy and I came to West Virginia with a message.

It was the beginning of a new decade and a time of great change and challenge.

So it is today.

In the spring of 1960, our nation was suffering from a crisis of leadership and unfulfilled promise.

And so it is today.

As we both travelled in this state -- in the industrial Ohio and Kanawha Valleys, in rural areas from McDowell County in the South to Ohio County here in the North -- we found a West Virginia beset by serious economic decline.

We found people living amid rich resources, but living in abject poverty.

And we found a people who had given so much to our nation in war and peace but who had been denied their rightful share of prosperity in a nation becoming richer every year.

In the spring of 1960 West Virginia became a symbol of eight years of Republican failure. The people of West Virginia -- and the 18 million Americans living in the Appalachian region -- became symbols of those left behind by an affluent nation.

And it was clear to me and to all Americans that despite the fact that 75,000 West Virginians were out of work in 1960 and statewide unemployment was averaging nearly 12 percent, that the people of West Virginia would not give up.

And you didn't.

Kennedy and I made a commitment in 1960 to the people of West Virginia.

And that fall, John F. Kennedy took the case of West Virginia to the people of the United States in his campaign against Richard Nixon. He told Americans about the poverty and the neglect, the hope and the courage of West Virginians. And when he got to the White House he fulfilled his pledge to provide for a new deal for your state.

I gave my full support in the Senate to his program, to his leadership and to his commitment.

And there was progress in West Virginia in the last decade of the '60's.

-- Personal income has risen.

-- Highways and factories have been built.

-- Health programs have been started.

-- Development districts have been formed.

-- Housing has improved.

-- Unemployment has risen.

And much of this progress is due to many of the men who are with us tonight -- men like Jennings Randolph, Ken Hechler, Bob Molloy, and Jay Rockefeller.

But there is still much to be done.

President Kennedy committed the resources of his administration to move against the poverty and economic decline of Appalachia. The decade of the 1960's has seen the formation of many new organizations and programs that began to develop the human and physical resources of a neglected region of America.

The basic organization foundation and commitment to change has been achieved.

But Appalachia will again become a forgotten and neglected land in the 1970's unless the fragmentation of strategies to help the region are unified.

Today, such agencies as the OEO, the Appalachian Regional Commission, the Economic Development Administration, HUD, HEW, and the Labor Department are pursuing separate strategies when we need one strategy.

Fragmentation means duplication. It means waste and it means that people are the losers when organization conflict occurs.

We do not need a simple reorganization plan or some plan that will do away with the very excellent work that these agencies have accomplished.

But we do need the development of an Appalachian master plan that could more closely combine the work of the many organizations involved in the Appalachian effort and other regional development programs.

If legislation is needed in the development of a new master strategy for this region and others, I will seriously consider offering it.

If we continue to have separate poverty programs, health programs, road building programs and job training programs for the nation as a whole instead of designing a single and unified Appalachian Development Program we will fail in our promise to improve the quality of life for nearly 20 million people.

West Virginia is no longer a lone symbol of governmental neglect, as it was in 1960.

Today, every city and rural corner of America is a living symbol of how a Republican administration has turned its back on the urgent and unmet needs of the people:

- the need for jobs and prosperity
- the need for action
- the need for strong moral leadership to bring us together
- the need for confidence and national trust

West Virginians no longer stand alone in their determination not to give up when times are bad.

You have been joined by 200 million Americans.

And I have come to Wheeling tonight to renew my pledge to commit myself and the Democratic Party to the job of providing leadership and progress and vision to a nation that has been in retreat on urgent problems for the last three years.

I believe we must establish three national priorities in areas where the Nixon Administration has failed.

First, we must put Americans back to work.

Unemployment in Wheeling today stands at 6.5 percent.

Some 35,000 West Virginians are out of work. We must have programs to create jobs:

- An expanded and accelerated public works Program.
- An immediate expansion of housing construction.
- A real stimulation of consumer spending through more substantial tax relief.

-- A nationwide public service employment program. The government must be the employer of first opportunity as well as last resort.

Second, government must refocus on the needs of people. To do this, we need concerned and sensitive leadership willing to recognize that the solutions of yesterday will not do for tomorrow.

We also need a greater commitment of resources to our urgent domestic needs in urban and rural America. And we must develop programs that will involve people in the crucial decisions which affect their everyday lives.

Third, we must develop a single strategy for regional and national development. In Appalachia, for example, our efforts have become fragmented among various agencies of government and people have lost out because of this.

We must develop and pursue a strategy of dynamic domestic development that will bridge the gap between our ability to build things and our inability to provide for people.

In 1960, West Virginia's problems were brought to the attention of the nation in a political campaign focusing on eight years of stagnation and failure.

And in 1972 the issue, once again, will be joined.

The opponent will be the same. This time he will not be defending the record of another President, but his own record -- and I say he is vulnerable.

Vulnerable on his handling of the American economy. Vulnerable on an intolerable unemployment rate. Vulnerable on disastrous farm prices. Vulnerable on his neglect of the mounting problems of our cities and our countryside.

But with the vast resources of the federal government at his disposal, and a bulging political war chest, he will be a formidable opponent.

We must take our case to the people -- as we did in West Virginia and the nation in 1960.

I believe the Democratic Party -- as it did in 1960 -- must offer plans and policies to get this nation moving again -- to create a real prosperity in which all our citizens share.

There is much to be done. I say let's get to work tonight and pledge ourselves to victory in '72 based on a new concern for what government can and must do for all Americans.

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✓ Jim Spence

- Miles Stanley - Pres W. Va. AFL-CIO

- Sen Jennings Randolph

- ~~Cong Hecker~~ (Cong Wayne Hayes)

- Cong Bob Mollohan

Sect State Jay Rockefeller
(Sharon - Birthday)

Ⓟ Paul Ruser chr Wheeling Cope

Father Seidel

REMARKS BY SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

Sen Robt Byrd - Majority Whip -
ANNUAL COPE DINNER

Seniority
Jennings + Bob!

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA

DECEMBER 10, 1971

Ⓟ Stale ^{ch} Rudy de ~~Trapano~~ Trapano

Ⓟ Bob Burke - Ohio Caucusing

Jim Junior Senator
Recycling

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I'VE COME TO WEST VIRGINIA TO TALK WITH YOU ABOUT WHAT
NEEDS TO BE DONE NOW TO PUT AMERICA BACK ON ITS FEET AND PUT
MILLIONS OF AMERICANS BACK TO WORK.

*Football +
Cottage Cheese!*

THE SCORE CARD AFTER THREE YEARS OF REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT

IS NOT BAD -- IT'S A DISASTER.

- OVER FIVE MILLION AMERICANS ARE OUT OF WORK. *listadas* 6% *no* 8%
1 1/2 million "invisible"
- THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ARE LOSING THEIR UNEMPLOYMENT

COMPENSATION BENEFITS EACH WEEK.

- THE COST OF LIVING CONTINUES TO RISE.
- AMERICANS ARE LOSING CONFIDENCE IN THEIR ECONOMY AND
IN THEIR GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY TO SOLVE THE ECONOMIC CRISIS.

- Dollar Devalued
- Balance of Payments Deficit ² 12 Billion
- Balance of Trade Deficit - (first since 1893)

Young people - can't find jobs
Number of people in poverty up.

-- AND THE FARMER FACES A CRISIS OF NEGLECT AND FALLING

PRICES WHICH IS FORCING MANY FAMILY FARMERS OFF THE LAND.

JFK

ELEVEN YEARS AGO JOHN KENNEDY AND I CAME TO WEST VIRGINIA

WITH A MESSAGE.

IT WAS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW DECADE AND A TIME OF GREAT

CHANGE AND CHALLENGE.

So IT IS TODAY!

IN THE SPRING OF 1960, OUR NATION WAS SUFFERING FROM A CRISIS

OF LEADERSHIP AND UNFULFILLED PROMISE.

AND SO IT IS TODAY!

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↳ AS WE BOTH TRAVELLED IN THIS STATE -- IN THE INDUSTRIAL

Kan mabwah
OHIO AND KANAWHA VALLEYS, IN RURAL AREAS FROM MCDOWELL COUNTY

Industrial
IN THE SOUTH TO OHIO COUNTY HERE IN THE NORTH -- WE FOUND A WEST

VIRGINIA BESET BY SERIOUS ECONOMIC DECLINE

↳ WE FOUND PEOPLE LIVING AMID RICH RESOURCES, BUT LIVING IN

ABJECT POVERTY.

↳ AND WE FOUND A PEOPLE WHO HAD GIVEN SO MUCH TO OUR NATION IN
WAR AND PEACE BUT WHO HAD BEEN DENIED THEIR RIGHTFUL SHARE OF

PROSPERITY IN A NATION BECOMING RICHER EVERY YEAR.

L AND THAT FALL, JOHN F. KENNEDY TOOK THE CASE OF WEST VIRGINIA
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES IN HIS CAMPAIGN AGAINST

RICHARD NIXON. HE TOLD AMERICANS ABOUT THE POVERTY AND THE NEGLECT,

He told them about
L THE HOPE AND THE COURAGE OF WEST VIRGINIANS, AND WHEN HE GOT

TO THE WHITE HOUSE HE FULFILLED HIS PLEDGE TO PROVIDE A NEW DEAL

DEAL FOR YOUR STATE

L I GAVE MY FULL SUPPORT IN THE SENATE TO HIS PROGRAM TO
HIS LEADERSHIP AND TO HIS COMMITMENT.

L AND THERE WAS PROGRESS IN WEST VIRGINIA IN THE LAST
DECADE OF THE '60's.

-- PERSONAL INCOME HAS RISEN.

WASHINGTON POST February 7, 1965

There's a New Lilt At Helm of Senate

Humphrey's Obviously Enjoying His Job And the Members Reflect His Elan

By Robert C. Albright

Washington Post Staff Writer

IF HUBERT HUMPHREY isn't enjoying his job as Vice President, he's putting on a superb act. From the Vice President's imposing rostrum, he taps the Senate to order with a new lilt.

When things grow dull in the chamber, he mingles freely in the cloakroom with his new "constituents"—all former colleagues—advising, counseling, cajoling, often just plain gabbing.

Humphrey never has made any bones about openly lobbying for the President's bills. Mr. Johnson wants them passed and Congress out of town by July. Humphrey's doing all he can to help. Like Mr. Johnson before him, he

is determined to live up to the President's own specifications for the Vice Presidency.

When Mr. Johnson's first major test of the session came on the Appalachia bill last week, Humphrey was in the Vice President's chair, presiding at its passage. From the rostrum, after the vote, he scribbled the following note to Sen. Jennings Randolph (D-W. Va.), the bill's manager:

"Jennings: My congratulations. You have done a magnificent job. Proud of you. Appalachia owes you a vote of gratitude.

"Hubert H."

To Randolph, it was as much a morale builder as the call he got later from the White House. And it was all part of the Johnson-Humphrey team play.

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Public Works + Economic development act, 1965
Appalachian Regional Development Act 1965 -
Reserved for 4 yrs

- HIGHWAYS AND FACTORIES HAVE BEEN BUILT.
- HEALTH PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN STARTED.
- DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS HAVE BEEN FORMED.
- HOUSING HAS IMPROVED.
- EMPLOYMENT HAS RISEN.

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Manpower
Training
dropped

Jennings
Randolph
+ the
Appalachian
Commission

AND MUCH OF THIS PROGRESS IS DUE TO MANY OF THE MEN WHO

ARE WITH US TONIGHT -- MEN LIKE JENNINGS RANDOLPH, KEN HECHLER,

BOB MOLLOHAN, AND JAY ROCKEFELLER - Bob Byrd

L BUT THERE IS STILL MUCH TO BE DONE - + we know it

President John their
PRESIDENT KENNEDY COMMITTED THE RESOURCES OF his ADMINISTRATION

TO MOVE AGAINST THE POVERTY AND ECONOMIC DECLINE OF APPALACHIA.

you want to work - A 4 h. CIO sponsoring
Low + moderate income housing
Mobile Health Units
Labor Training Program

THE DECADE OF THE 1960'S HAS SEEN THE FORMATION OF MANY NEW ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS THAT BEGAN TO DEVELOP THE HUMAN AND PHYSICAL RESOURCES OF A NEGLECTED REGION OF AMERICA.

THE BASIC ORGANIZATIONAL FOUNDATION AND COMMITMENT TO CHANGE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

BUT APPALACHIA WILL AGAIN BECOME A FORGOTTEN AND NEGLECTED LAND IN THE 1970'S UNLESS THE FRAGMENTATION OF STRATEGIES TO HELP THE REGION ARE UNIFIED.

TODAY, SUCH AGENCIES AS THE OEO, THE APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION, THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, HUD, HEW, AND THE LABOR DEPARTMENT ARE PURSUING SEPARATE STRATEGIES WHEN WE NEED ONE STRATEGY.

FRAGMENTATION MEANS DUPLICATION. IT MEANS WASTE AND IT MEANS THAT PEOPLE ARE THE LOSERS WHEN ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICT OCCURS.

WE DO NOT NEED A SIMPLE REORGANIZATION PLAN OR SOME PLAN THAT WILL DO AWAY WITH THE VERY EXCELLENT WORK THAT THESE AGENCIES HAVE ACCOMPLISHED.

BUT WE DO NEED THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN APPALACHIAN MASTER PLAN THAT COULD MORE CLOSELY COMBINE THE WORK OF THE MANY ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN THE APPALACHIAN EFFORT AND OTHER REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

IF LEGISLATION IS NEEDED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW MASTER STRATEGY FOR THIS REGION AND OTHERS, I WILL SERIOUSLY CONSIDER OFFERING IT.

IF WE CONTINUE TO HAVE SEPARATE POVERTY PROGRAMS, HEALTH PROGRAMS, ROAD BUILDING PROGRAMS AND JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR THE NATION AS A WHOLE INSTEAD OF DESIGNING A SINGLE AND UNIFIED APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WE WILL FAIL IN OUR PROMISE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR NEARLY 20 MILLION PEOPLE.

WEST VIRGINIA IS NO LONGER A LONE SYMBOL OF GOVERNMENTAL NEGLECT, AS IT WAS IN 1960.

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separated governmental neglect as
it was in 1960

L TODAY, EVERY CITY AND RURAL CORNER OF AMERICA IS A LIVING
SYMBOL OF HOW A REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION HAS TURNED ITS BACK ON
THE URGENT AND UNMET NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE:

-- THE NEED FOR JOBS AND PROSPERITY

-- THE NEED FOR ACTION

-- THE NEED FOR STRONG MORAL LEADERSHIP TO BRING US TOGETHER

-- THE NEED FOR CONFIDENCE AND NATIONAL TRUST

L WEST VIRGINIANS NO LONGER STAND ALONE IN THEIR DETERMINATION
NOT TO GIVE UP WHEN TIMES ARE BAD.

YOU HAVE BEEN JOINED BY 200 MILLION AMERICANS.

AND I HAVE COME TO WHEELING TONIGHT *to*

COMMIT MYSELF AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO THE JOB OF PROVIDING
LEADERSHIP AND PROGRESS AND VISION TO A NATION THAT HAS BEEN
IN RETREAT ON URGENT PROBLEMS FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS.

I BELIEVE WE MUST ESTABLISH THREE NATIONAL PRIORITIES IN
AREAS WHERE THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION HAS FAILED.

FIRST, WE MUST PUT AMERICANS BACK TO WORK.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN WHEELING TODAY STANDS AT 6.5 PERCENT.

SOME 35,000 WEST VIRGINIANS ARE OUT OF WORK. WE MUST HAVE
PROGRAMS TO CREATE JOBS:

-- AN EXPANDED AND ACCELERATED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM.

*Genning Randolph - Ch
Public works.
repeal veto of Pub. works bill
last year*

-- AN IMMEDIATE EXPANSION OF HOUSING CONSTRUCTION.

-- A REAL STIMULATION OF CONSUMER SPENDING THROUGH MORE

SUBSTANTIAL TAX RELIEF.

(- tax on veto - 1/2 page)

-- A NATIONWIDE PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM. THE

GOVERNMENT MUST BE THE EMPLOYER OF FIRST OPPORTUNITY AS WELL AS

LAST RESORT.

SECOND, GOVERNMENT MUST REFOCUS ON THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE. *To*

DO THIS, WE NEED CONCERNED AND SENSITIVE LEADERSHIP WILLING TO

RECOGNIZE THAT THE SOLUTIONS OF YESTERDAY WILL NOT DO FOR TOMORROW.

*Gout - + People - We the People!
General welfare.*

The President's Program - Reorganize -

Veto Educ, Hospitals - Medical Research

Veto OEO Child Care!

WE ALSO NEED A GREATER COMMITMENT OF RESOURCES TO OUR URGENT DOMESTIC NEEDS IN URBAN AND RURAL AMERICA, AND WE MUST DEVELOP PROGRAMS THAT WILL INVOLVE PEOPLE IN THE CRUCIAL DECISIONS WHICH AFFECT THEIR EVERYDAY LIVES.

THIRD, WE MUST DEVELOP A SINGLE STRATEGY FOR REGIONAL AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT. IN APPALACHIA, FOR EXAMPLE, OUR EFFORTS HAVE BECOME FRAGMENTED AMONG VARIOUS AGENCIES OF GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE HAVE LOST OUT BECAUSE OF THIS.

WE MUST DEVELOP AND PURSUE A STRATEGY OF DYNAMIC DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN OUR ABILITY TO BUILD THINGS AND OUR INABILITY TO PROVIDE FOR PEOPLE.

L IN 1960, WEST VIRGINIA'S PROBLEMS WERE BROUGHT TO THE
 ATTENTION OF THE NATION IN A POLITICAL CAMPAIGN FOCUSING ON EIGHT
 YEARS OF STAGNATION AND FAILURE.

L AND IN 1972 THE ISSUE, ONCE AGAIN, WILL BE JOINED,
 THE OPPONENT WILL BE THE SAME, THIS TIME HE WILL NOT BE
 DEFENDING THE RECORD OF ANOTHER PRESIDENT, BUT HIS OWN RECORD --
 AND I SAY HE IS VULNERABLE.

L VULNERABLE ON HIS HANDLING OF THE AMERICAN ECONOMY,
 VULNERABLE ON AN INTOLERABLE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, VULNERABLE ON
 DISASTROUS FARM PRICES, VULNERABLE ON HIS NEGLECT OF THE
 MOUNTING PROBLEMS OF OUR CITIES AND OUR COUNTRYSIDE.

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L BUT WITH THE VAST RESOURCES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AT
HIS DISPOSAL, AND A BULGING POLITICAL WAR CHEST, HE WILL BE A
FORMIDABLE OPPONENT.

WE MUST TAKE OUR CASE TO THE PEOPLE -- AS WE DID IN WEST
VIRGINIA AND THE NATION IN 1960.

I BELIEVE THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY -- AS IT DID IN 1960 --
MUST OFFER PLANS AND POLICIES TO GET THIS NATION MOVING
AGAIN -- TO CREATE A REAL PROSPERITY IN WHICH ALL OUR CITIZENS
SHARE.

THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE. I SAY LET'S GET TO WORK TONIGHT
AND PLEDGE OURSELVES TO VICTORY IN '72 BASED ON A NEW CONCERN FOR
WHAT GOVERNMENT CAN AND MUST DO FOR ALL AMERICANS.

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