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In a fighting keynote speech here this afternoon before the Missouri State Democratic Convention, Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D.-Minn.) said Democrats are seeking more than just a partisan victory in the November election.

Senator Humphrey said the nation is looking to Missouri for a landslide victory this fall for Democratic nominees Adlai Stephenson and Estes Kefauver.

He paid tribute to Missouri's two Senators Thomas C. Hennings, Jr. and Stuart Symington, whom he described as two of the great members of the U.S. Senate. He said reelection of Senator Hennings this year is important not only to Mo. but also to the nation for his leadership in the fight against the Bricker amendment, a fight in which Hennings saved Pres. Eisenhower's position.

Senator Humphrey was introduced by Senator Symington who serves with the Minn. Senator on Government Operations, Agriculture and Disarmament Committees. Senator Humphrey is also a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

At the Democratic National Convention, Missouri cast 34 of its votes for Humphrey for Vice-President. The Minnesota Senator said he would never forget either the support given him by the Mo. delegation or the introduction by Senator Symington.

"We Democrats are seeking a victory for the American people," said Sen. Humphrey an urgently needed victory, to restore the voice of all the people in highest councils of our government," Senator Humphrey declared.

Far more is involved in the forthcoming national election than just a Democratic victory "for the sake of winning alone," he said.

"We must carry forward the fight for the American people, in all walks of life, to exemplify the highest ideals and principles of our Democratic Party as the real party of the people.

"We can and must win that fight, for the sake of all the people.

"We must win a victory for agriculture, to assure our farmers a decent and fair share of the gains in the rest of our economy.

"We must win a victory for labor, so we can have some assurance of sound and socially just labor-management relations.

"We must win a victory for independent small business, so it can survive and share more properly in the benefits of an expanding economy.

"We must win a victory for our senior citizens, to assure government with a heart, government as concerned about social welfare and social justice as it is about 'efficiency'.

"We must win a victory for our young people, to assure adequate schools and sound education, opening the doors to new opportunity for creating a better life for all.

"We must win a victory for our great natural resources, to assure their preservation and proper use in the interests of all the people.

"We must win a victory for American foreign policy that again places our country in a position of positive leadership, not defensive retreat; that again portrays the real spirit of America to the world, showing we understand and share in the aspirations of all people everywhere for their freedom and independence.



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